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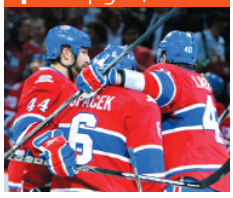

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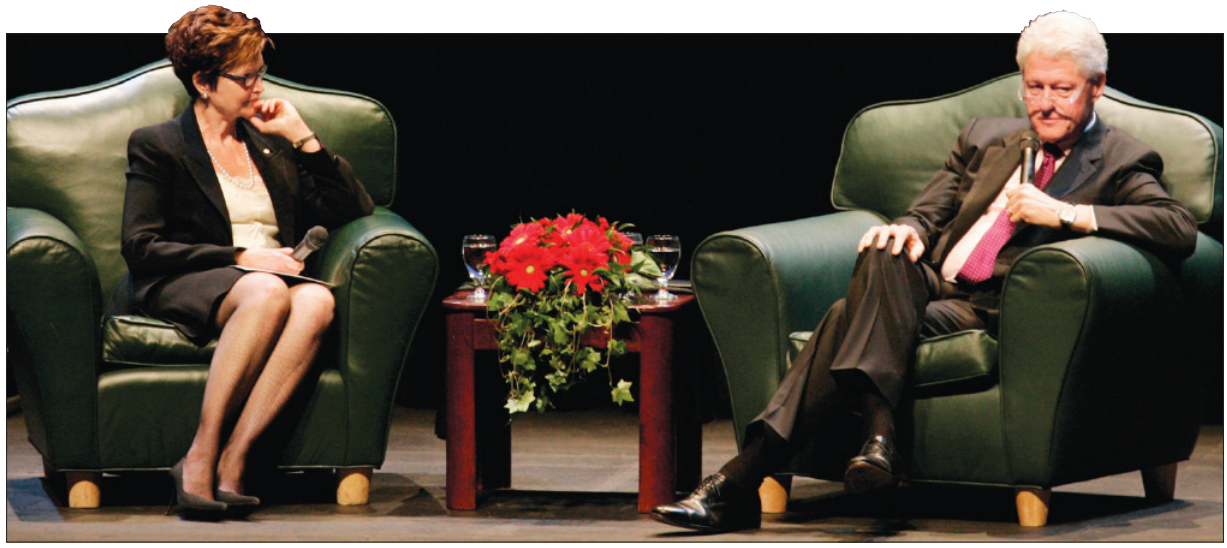

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Former B.C. finance minister Carole Taylor chats with former U.S. president Bill Clinton at the Centre in Vancouver for Performing Arts during a Board of Trade event on Thursday.

Money alone not solution for world's poor: Clinton

Former president, in talk, says underprivileged need independence from aid

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The best way to help Haiti is to build capacity and lessen the island nation's dependence on foreign aid, former U.S. president Bill Clinton told a business group in Vancouver Thursday.

"In Haiti, if we spend this $9 billion that the world has promised them, and we do not increase their capacity not to need that anymore, we will have failed," said Clinton during a half-hour, wide-ranging speech titled Embracing Our Common Humanity at the Centre in Vancouver for Performing Arts.

Clinton, the United Nations special envoy to Haiti, has been co-ordinating aid fundraising for the island nation in the aftermath of January's earthquake.

"No matter how many people we put in school, how many sick kids we see in health clinics ... within a matter of years it will be gone again unless we can build the capacity for them to live their own lives and not need us anymore. Except as partners."

In his speech, Clinton, the 43rd president of the United States, touched on the economic crisis in Greece, climate change, even the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver and Whistler.

"By the way, you did a fabulous job and I hate to say it, but you deserved to win the gold."

His main message, however, was about the world economic crisis and problems facing poor and rich countries.

In Haiti before the earthquake, three quarters of the population lived on less than $2 a day, 85 per cent of people did not have electricity in their homes and half of young people did not go to school.

East-west Dunsmuir cyclist route gets 6-month trial

BIKE LANE Cyclists will soon have a safe way to travel east to west across downtown Vancouver after city council on Thursday voted unanimously to create a segregated bike lane along Dunsmuir Street.

The lane will be ready by June 15 and will be up for a six-month trial period, as was the case with the Burrard Street Bridge bike lane.

Coun. Geoff Meggs, a vocal proponent of the lane and a cyclist himself, said the decision is another "big step" toward the city's goal of reducing vehicle traffic and encouraging more cyclists.

"There's no direct route across the downtown core for cyclists," Meggs said. "The segregated lanes provide a higher sense of safety."

The bike route, which will run to Burrard Street, will take away one vehicle lane between the Dunsmuir Viaduct and Howe Street, and will eliminate some parking spaces and bus stops.

Because Dunsmuir Street narrows after Richards Street, the lane could cause bottlenecks.

"We have asked staff to work closely with businesses (along Dunsmuir Street) and to make sure if there are problems we haven't foreseen that we deal with them," Meggs said.

"We'll have to see how this goes. Fingers crossed."

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Bunny battle brews over university cull

A battle is brewing over bunnies at the University of Victoria. The school has had 100 of approximately 1,300 rabbits culled, but activists want them to use non-lethal, but more expensive methods, like neutering.

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News in brief

LAW The B.C. Court of Appeal has struck down a provincial law that lets safety inspectors enter any home suspected of harbouring a marijuana grow-op. The court ruled two sections of the Safety Standards Act violate people's charter rights to be free from unreasonable searches.

DZIEKANSKI The final inquiry report into the death of Robert Dziekanski at Vancouver's airport has been handed over to B.C.'s attorney general, but it's not clear when the public will get to see it.

DEATH The 30-year-old man found honking his car horn who was arrested by Surrey RCMP and taken to hospital on May 16 has died. Vancouver police, originally asked to investigate the case, are waiting for autopsy results.

MISCHIEF West Vancouver police are recommending mischief charges against a 15-year-old boy after a fake bomb threat at Sentinel Secondary School on Thursday. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Brittany Johnson, 22, protests the extradition of pot activist Marc Emery at a rally at Hastings and Cambie streets on Thursday. Emery was sent earlier that morning to the United States, where he faces charges of drug distribution.

Emery backers rally, vow war on Tories

Protest staged hours after pot activist deported

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More than 100 people shut down traffic at Cambie and Hastings streets on Thursday for an ad hoc rally protesting the extradition of Marc Emery, hours after the outspoken pot activist was sent to the United States.

Jodie Emery, Marc's wife, planted herself in the middle of the intersection, waving a Canadian flag with a marijuana leaf on it and shouting her outrage at her husband's extradition.

"My husband committed a crime punishable by only a $200 fine in Canada, yet this Conservative government is sending him to ... (a) U.S. jail," she said.

Jacob Hunter, one of the organizers, said it was clear from the turnout that Vancouverites support Marc's cause.

"If you can do this in three hours, just think what we can do during an election," he said.

"The Conservative government wanted a culture war. Well, they have it. We will be at their offices, their campaign stops, their speeches, fundraisers and every public event. We will hound them until this government is defeated."

Hunter, Jodie and around 20 other activists protested at Prime Minister Stephen Harper's Calgary office on Wednesday.

Marc, 52, was arrested in 2005 and charged with selling marijuana seeds online to U.S. customers.

He pleaded guilty to one charge of drug distribution in exchange for a five-year sentence.

Premier told Virk to 'keep his mouth shut,' lawyer alleges

COURT Premier Gordon Campbell and his chief of staff regularly phoned a government aide whose legislature office was raided by the RCMP to assure him of their support until charges were laid, a defence lawyer told a political corruption trial in Vancouver.

Kevin McCullough suggested on Thursday to Martyn Brown, the premier's top adviser, that the pair called his client, Bobby Virk, every three to four weeks while he was suspended with pay.

"Did you know that Premier Campbell was telling Mr. Virk that the Liberal party would take care of him and that he was to keep his mouth shut?" McCullough asked.

"I would say I would be shocked, completely shocked, if that was the case, because I don't believe it ever happened ... but I can't speculate," Brown said.

Mounties with search warrants carted away dozens of boxes of evidence from their Dec. 28, 2003, search of the offices of Virk, who worked for then-transportation minister Judith Reid, and co-accused Dave Basi.

They're accused of leaking confidential government information to a lobbyist who worked for a Denver company bidding for B.C. Rail in exchange for money, meals and tickets to an NFL game.

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Vancouverite among suitors on upcoming Bachelorette

TELEVISION Vancouver's Chris Hasek-Watt will be among the hunky men looking for love in this season of The Bachelorette, which premieres Monday night.

The 27-year-old real estate developer, who grew up in Campbell River, graduated from UBC with a bachelor of commerce in 2007.

Hasek-Watt, along with 24 other men, will be vying for the attention of San Francisco advertising account manager Ali Fedotowsky, 25.

Hasek-Watt is one of three Canadians on the show. The two others are from the Toronto area.

Last season, Vancouver's Jillian Harris found love as the first Canadian Bachelorette. Harris and winner Ed Swiderski are still engaged and living in Chicago.

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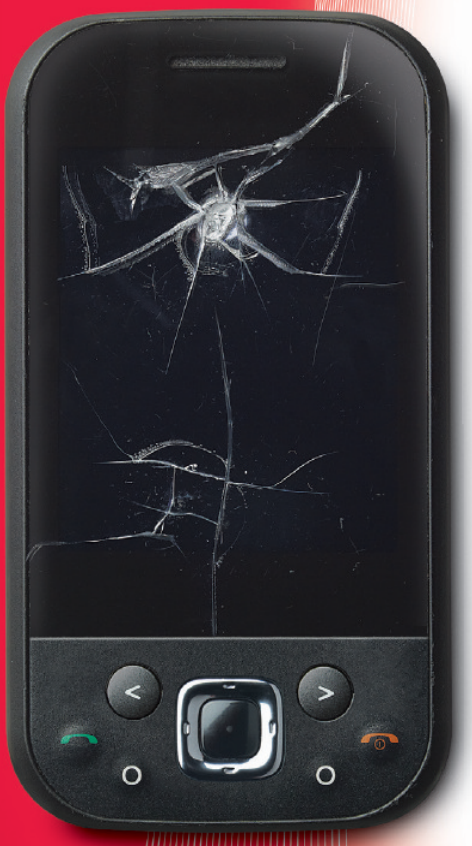

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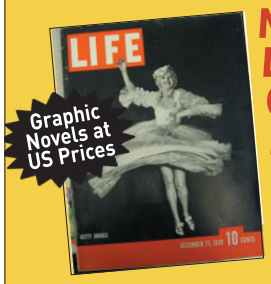

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Author donates work to UBC

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Douglas Coupland has donated an extensive archive of his work to the University of British Columbia library.

The West Vancouver resident, and globally renowned author of Generation X, gave a 122-box collection that includes manuscripts, photos, visual art and fan mail.

Coupland said on Thursday that what's unique about his archives is that they reflect his writing about how the technology culture has advanced.

"It starts out earlier on with typewriters and manual notes ... and then 56K floppys ... since 2003 I send daily backups to myself on Gmail."

Ralph Stanton, head of UBC's special collections, said interest is building up.

"We had a call the other day from a grad student in Toronto wanting to come out this summer and work on the archives."

Coupland said he hopes people enjoy his archives, but he's not keen on seeing them for himself.

"I went down to look at it ... it's too weird, it's like listening to a tape-recording of your own voice."

Doctorate

- Coupland will receive an honorary doctorate degree from UBC on May 27.

Cloverdale Rodeo set to kick off

FAIR The annual Cloverdale Rodeo and Country Fair begins Friday in Surrey.

The 64th annual rodeo, the second richest in the country, is its third year since it adopted an "invitational" format and eliminated the roping events that animal rights groups had protested for being cruel. The new format features some of the world's best cowboys in bareback, saddle bronc, bull riding and top cowgirls in ladies barrel racing.

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Tracy Young from Delta, Utah, blasts through the time trap during Ladies Barrel Racing at the 2008 Cloverdale Rodeo.

Teen suspected in sex assault on kid

CRIME Vancouver police released video Thursday of a teen they say is a suspect in a sexual assault on a nine-year-old girl in early January. The nine-year-old victim was waiting for a ride near the entrance to Arbutus Square Mall around 6 p.m. on Jan. 4 when the teen boy approached her. He convinced her to go to a nearby park where he sexually assaulted her. The suspect, who police say is in his early teens, has short blonde hair.

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News in brief

THEATRE Vancouver's Theatre Under the Stars (TUTS) has been granted a 10-year lease from the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation to occupy Stanley Park's Malkin Bowl year-round. A fundraising drive will be started to renovate the venue.

EVICTION Eviction notices were served to residents of 34 more units at the Emerald Terrace in downtown Vancouver. Hollyburn Properties Ltd. says they're necessary for renovations.

CRIME Some bus drivers showed up outside provincial court in Port Coquitlam Thursday to heckle Colin Moore, 38, who pleaded guilty to assaulting a driver, cknw.com reports. The driver was strangled until she nearly blacked out and saved by other passengers who intervened.

ANIMALS Research by a pair of SFU ecologists has found that amphibians in the Pacific Northwest are less vulnerable to ultraviolet radiation than was previously thought because they engage in behaviours that limit their exposure to UV.

DRUGS Anti-anxiety and sleep disorder drugs like Xanax and Ativan are being prescribed for extensive periods of time, despite warnings against long-term use, according to researchers at UBC.

MOUNTIE An RCMP officer has been injured after grabbing a motorcycle driver to prevent him from fleeing, and being dragged 10 metres before letting go, during a traffic stop near Fernie, B.C. RCMP say the driver's motorcycle has been recovered and they are confident they know who they're looking for.

RESEARCH The B.C. Cancer Agency has signed an agreement with a Japanese pharmaceutical company for a joint research project that will bring about $1 million in new cancer research funding into the province.

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Man, 87, charged with years-old sex offences

Police have charged an 87-year-old man in Mount Albert, just north of Toronto, with sexual offences dating as far back as 1962. Police say three alleged victims were between the ages of five and 13 at the time — and they believe there may be more. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada

Don Cherry letting him speak?

Ron MacLean is finally getting the chance to say his piece. The co-host of CBC-TV's Coach's Corner with Don Cherry says he's releasing his memoirs, to be published by HarperCollinsCanada. He'll share his favourite stories from his career as a hockey and sports commentator. "My favourite stories come from Cervantes and Shakespeare," he said, adding: "And now Ron and Don?" THE CANADIAN PRESS

Majority back more foreign owners: Poll

The Harper government appears to be on safe ground in its desire to allow more foreign competition in Canada's telecommunications sector.

A new Harris-Decima online survey of 1,003 Canadians found that where once many feared foreign ownership of the country's key industries, now a majority support it — even in the sensitive telecommunications sector.

In a survey taken in late April, 63 per cent of respondents supported more global investment in domestic telecommunications.

63 The percentage who said they support more global investment in the domestic telecom industry.

Only 30 per cent said they feared foreign ownership would inhibit Canadian culture.

The survey suggests people believe Canadian culture is strengthened by opening the communications pipeline to all, rather than restricting access.

An overwhelming 88 per cent said the Internet was good for Canadian artists because it exposed their work to a larger audience.

Only 12 per cent felt the Internet was bad for Canadian culture because it allowed more access to foreign content.

"I think Canadians are saying the Internet and the new digital distribution tools are really going to let a million flowers bloom, including many, many Canadian flowers," said Bruce Anderson, senior consulting associate with Harris-Decima.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Environment report 'flawed': Minister

CLIMATE A report by a top advisory panel ranks Canada near the bottom of G8 nations when it comes to climate change.

But Environment Minister Jim Prentice is dismissing the results.

The National Round Table on the Environment and the Economy places Canada sixth among G8 nations in its new low-carbon performance index.

But Prentice says the rankings are flawed, and he'll take it up with the federally appointed think-tank.

"I'm not happy with the report, frankly," Prentice said.

"And I've instructed my staff to schedule a meeting with the Round Table to discuss my concerns about the methodology that's been arrived at in this report."

"I've instructed my staff to schedule a meeting with the Round Table to discuss my concerns."
Jim Prentice

Prentice sees contradictions in the report.

"For example, in the methodology it criticizes Canada for selling energy to the Americans, but then it gives the Americans a gold star for consuming energy produced in Canada," he said.

"So I don't know how anyone can explain that as valid methodology to me."

He added that the report "ignores" progress Canada has made on the environment.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Flashback **Sports tycoon punted to Senate**

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In 2006, David Braley was just a high-powered businessman — seen here shaking hands with quarterback Dave Dickenson in Vancouver. But now Prime Minister Stephen Harper has appointed B.C. Lions owner Braley — the single biggest donor to his 2004 Conservative party leadership campaign — to a $132,000-a-year Senate seat. Braley also owns the Toronto Argonauts and is known for his many philanthropic contributions.

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Canadian riot victim now faces test of time

UPRISING Bangkok hospital doctors say it will take time to assess the long-term effects on a Canadian photographer badly injured during clashes in the Thai capital.

Chandler Vandergrift was hit by a grenade during clashes that started when the Thai army moved against the so-called Red Shirt demonstrators in Bangkok on Wednesday morning.

Suffering from head and chest injuries, he had neurosurgery when taken to the hospital. As well, blood was drained from his lungs.

"Recovery time is needed to evaluate his neurological deficit," said a statement from Bangkok Christian Hospital.

Vandergrift is semi-conscious and is breathing with help from a machine — although doctors say he should be able to breathe by himself soon.

Vandergrift, in his mid-30s, is originally from Calgary, but was educated at the University of Victoria.

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Foreign affairs minister blasts Bloc Quebecois leader

Lawrence Cannon says Gilles Duceppe's suggestion Canada doesn't deserve a UN Security Council seat was an attempt to damage its reputation. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Guergis fined $100

Former junior cabinet minister Helena Guergis has been fined by the federal ethics commissioner for failing to report an $800,000 mortgage liability.

Commissioner Mary Dawson filed notice of a $100 penalty against Guergis on Thursday.

Guergis had publicly disclosed the mortgage in April, after news reports detailed the purchase of the home with her husband Rahim Jaffer. But Conflict of Interest Act requires MPs to report such new liabilities within 30 days — she bought the home in November 2009.

Helena Guergis

"I simply forgot and I accept responsibility for this oversight," she said.

"I have already made arrangements to pay the fine — within the 30 days I was provided to do so."

Guergis underlined that the commissioner had decided that she would not launch any review into the mortgage itself, which was also the subject of speculation she had secured it with no money down. Guergis refuted that, saying she had put about 30 per cent down on the house.

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Feds may be 'dragged' into tobacco lawsuits

COURT The Supreme Court of Canada will consider whether the federal government should be named a defendant and dragged into massive court cases aiming to force tobacco companies to pay for health-care costs.

It's another incremental victory for British Columbia and other provinces that have spent years mounting the lawsuit, said Rob Cunningham, a senior policy analyst with the Canadian Cancer Society.

"It has been going on for a long time, but we're getting closer," he said Thursday after the high court granted the federal government leave to appeal two B.C. Court of Appeal decisions.

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News in brief

MISSION The Canadian military's plans to exit Kandahar by the end of next year are detailed and well-advanced, taking into account contingencies ranging from exit routes to snap elections at home. Internal documents obtained by the Toronto Star show the highly-secretive Mission Termination Task Force is grappling with the cost of an exit strategy that could be thrown into chaos if a new Canadian government decides to recommit to the mission. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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WHO takes stand on alcohol

Nations have adopted a global strategy to reduce alcohol abuse, breaking decades of inaction on one of the leading causes of sickness and death. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World

Scientists make cell from artificial DNA

In revolutionary research that may end up altering our definition of life, scientists have created the first synthetic cell powered by artificially created DNA.

The achievement caps 15 years of work by a large team of researchers, led by Craig Venter of Human Genome Project fame, who engineered a chromosome and inserted it into a bacterium to create a new living entity.

"This is the first self-replicating species that we've had on the planet whose parent is a computer," Venter told a teleconference presented Thursday by the journal Science, which published the work.

The cell, which contains more than a million DNA base pairs, or genetic letters — a mere speck compared with the six billion in human DNA — was created by writing genetic code on a computer, then combining a cocktail of chemicals to create a chromosome.

"We start with four bottles of chemicals and the digital code in the computer from DNA sequence," said Venter. "This is an important step we think both scientifically and philosophically.

"It certainly changed my views of the definitions of life and how life works."

Geneticist Stephen Scherer, a senior scientist at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children, called the research an "impressive technical feat."

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Get off my lawn! Government-wary citizens aren't taking kindly to U.S. census workers

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Experts warn of long-term strife in Thailand

BANGKOK As soldiers mopped up pockets of resistance and the government declared it was back in control, fears grew Thursday that the tentative quiet restored to Bangkok after a bloody crackdown on protests may just be a respite from violence and political polarization that could continue for years.

Leaders of the anti-government Red Shirt movement vowed a return as they were taken into custody.

"I think this is a new beginning for the Red Shirts," said Kevin Hewison, a Thailand expert at the University of North Carolina. "It will be a darker and grimmer time of struggle and less-focused activities. By no stretch of the imagination is the movement finished."

The Thai government declared Thursday it had mostly quelled 10 weeks of violent protests in the capital as buildings smouldered, troops rooted out die-hard holdouts.

Some residents cautiously attempted a return to normal life a day after a military operation cleared the main commercial district of thousands of demonstrators, leaving 15 dead and nearly 100 injured.

Troops roamed the city on foot and in Humvees and exchanged gunfire with scattered Red Shirt holdouts.

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A fireman surveys the interior of a theatre destroyed by a fire set by arsonists on Thursday in Bangkok.

BP admits spill worse than previously thought

GULF OF MEXICO BP conceded Thursday that more oil than it estimated is gushing into the Gulf of Mexico as heavy crude washed into Louisiana's wetlands for the first time, feeding worries and uncertainty about the massive monthlong spill.

Mark Proegler, a spokesman for oil giant BP PLC, told The Associated Press that a mile-long tube inserted into a leaking pipe over the weekend is capturing 210,000 gallons a day — the total amount the company and the Coast Guard have estimated is gushing into the sea — but some is still escaping. He would not say how much.

Several professors who have watched video of the leak have said they believe the amount spewing out is much higher than official estimates.

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Video

- A live video feed of the leak posted online Thursday at the insistence of lawmakers shows what appears to be a large plume of oil and gas still spewing.

Abortion ads to run in Britain

A sexual health charity says it plans to air Britain's first television ads for abortion services. Marie Stopes International says the commercial will run Monday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Swinger sentenced to prison in China

A college professor accused of organizing a swingers club and holding private orgies in China was sentenced to 3 1/2 years in prison, officials said, in a case that touched off national debate about sexual freedom.

Ma Yaohai, 53, was convicted and sentenced on charges of group licentiousness for participating in group sex parties, said an official from the Qinhuai District Court in southeastern Nanjing.

The official, who declined to give his name, refused to answer further questions.

"It's definitely not a fair case. It's not based on the law ... We can understand the reason behind it, but we can't accept it."
Attorney Yao Yong'an

Ma, along with 21 other people, was arrested and charged last year — the first time anyone has been charged under a 1997 law in a case that has snagged huge public interest with its titillating details. It also generated debate about sexual freedom in a nation trying to reshape its own modern morality.

Ma's attorney, Yao Yong'an, said his client, who was the only one to plead innocent, plans to appeal. "It's definitely not a fair case. It's not based on the law ... We can understand the reason behind it, but we can't accept it."

Three of the other defendants were acquitted with no penalties because they turned themselves in, the official Xinhua News Agency reported, while the remaining 18 received jail sentences up to 2 1/2 years.

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Greece **More protests over austerity measures**

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Riot police officers try to move people away from a sit-down protest in Athens Thursday.

Girl in 'sexting' case sues school board

PENNSYLVANIA A school district that was at the centre of a highly publicized "sexting" case was sued Thursday by a teenager who claims her principal confiscated her cellphone, found nude images she had taken of herself and turned it over to prosecutors.

The principal of the Tunkhannock Area High School illegally searched the 17-year-old's phone in January 2009, even though she intended the racy photos to be "seen only herself and, perhaps, her long-time boyfriend," according to the federal lawsuit.

It says the principal gave the phone to George Skumanick Jr., at the time the Wyoming County district attorney, who threatened to file felony child pornography charges against the girl unless she took a class on sexual violence.

The district was at the centre of America's first criminal case involving sexting. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

News in brief

ART HEIST A thief stole five paintings valued at more than $100 million, including major works by Picasso and Matisse, in an overnight heist Thursday at a Paris modern art museum with a broken alarm system, officials said. The paintings disappeared early Thursday from the Paris Museum of Modern Art, across the Seine River from the Eiffel Tower in one of the French capital's most chic and tourist-frequented neighbourhoods. The museum's alarm system had been broken since March 30 in some rooms, Paris Mayor Bertrand Delanoe said in a statement. The security system operator ordered spare parts to fix it but had not yet received the equipment from the supplier, the statement said. The museum reopened in 2006 after spending 15 million euros and three years upgrading its security system. Christophe Girard, deputy culture secretary at Paris City Hall, said a single masked intruder was caught on a video surveillance camera.

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No sex please ... we're driving

UrbanCompass

How's your sex life? I'm not trying to be rude, but did you hear about that survey maintaining people will give up sex before they give up their cars?

Really, people, it's time to examine your priorities.

If we ever needed proof we're addicted to our rides, this is it. Not only sex, but we'll throw junk food, credit cards, cellphones, coffee, the Internet, even TV, off the sled before we'll give up the sled itself.

It's depressing news for those well-meaning busybodies trying to get us to bike to work. And that includes the City of Vancouver, which has earmarked $25 million for new cycling trails around the city in an effort to boost the total percentage of trips by bike to 10 from 3.7.

Good luck.

Even if you are toying with the idea of trading the gas pedal for the bike pedal, I'm not sure cars and bicycles will ever be compatible. As far as I can tell, cycling paths just stoke contempt in both drivers and bikers. Some of us who are both have split personalities.

Take me for instance. During the week, I drive. On the weekend, I cycle.

During the week I am disgusted by a variety of oblivious violators:

- Bike couriers who view dismounting as a shameful defeat and take up the entire road trying to stay upright;
- Ethereal sisters with flowing hair and skirts, all of which could get caught in the spokes and bring them crashing back to Earth right in front of you;
- Idiot cyclists who zoom by you on the right, just before you turn right.

However, on the weekend, I reserve my disgust for:

- Drivers who park and open their car doors before they look. One day I'm going to get "doored." It's just a matter of when.
- Drivers who pull blithely into the intersection without looking either way, crushing all two-wheeled entities under the tires of their Point Grey tractors;
- Morons who pass so close they knock you off your bike with their hideously enormous side mirrors.

Who wants to have sex with those people, anyway?

On a more serious note, the story of three cyclists killed in Quebec by "driver inattention" makes my blood run cold. It's hardware versus software out there. And guess who wins, every time?

Maybe it's a good idea just to stay in bed.

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Worth mentioning

'Newton' given cosmic view of Earth

Sir Isaac Newton is getting the royal treatment in space, thanks to the British-born astronaut who carried up a picture of the 17th-century scientist and a chip from his famous apple tree.

Atlantis astronaut Piers Sellers said Thursday that he placed Newton's picture in the glassed-in dome of the International Space Station — the best seat in the gravity-less house. The views of Earth are stupendous from there.

"Sir Isaac absolutely loved it, I've got to tell you," Sellers said in an interview with The Associated Press. "We had him in the window, and he got to watch his little wood chip float by and ponder the laws of gravitation and everything, so I think it was a treat for him."

The Royal Society of London provided Sellers with the 10-centimetre sliver of wood, which he took with him into orbit aboard the shuttle. It's inscribed with Newton's initials and, according to the society, came from the actual tree in England from which an apple fell nearly 350 years ago and inspired Newton to discover the law of gravity.

Sellers said Wednesday's ceremony was a dry run. He plans to videotape the Newton items later this week for the Royal Society, which is the national academy of science of the United Kingdom. It's celebrating its 350th anniversary.

Newton was a physicist, mathematician and astronomer. His brush with the falling apple is believed to have occurred in the mid-1660s.

Sellers, now a U.S. citizen, and the rest of Atlantis' visiting astronauts got some time off Thursday after nearly a week of stressful work in orbit.

The day's big event was the grand opening of the space station's newest room.

The Russian compartment, named Rassvet, or Dawn, was installed by the Atlantis crew earlier this week.

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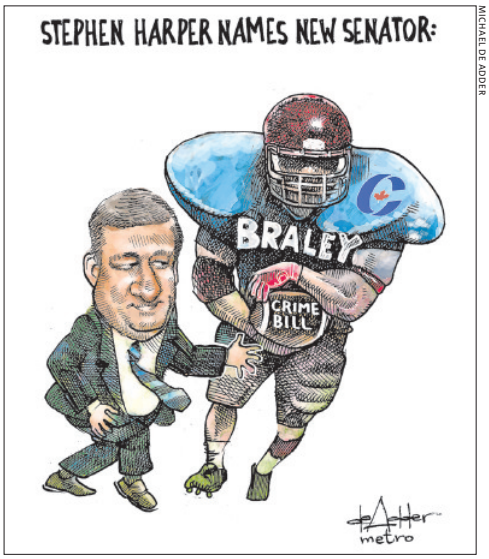

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IIHF boss apologizes for slam of Crosby

The president of the International Ice Hockey Federation has called Sidney Crosby's agent to apologize for the Olympic hero's inclusion in an IIHF story that criticized players who decline to take part in the world hockey championship. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Sports

Favre hints at return

Brett Favre, left, says he still isn't sure what he's doing next season, but he may have given some indication after visiting with the Southern Miss baseball team. The Minnesota Vikings quarterback told the Golden Eagles on Thursday that if they can make it back to the College World Series for the second straight year, he will return for one more season in the NFL. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Russians knock Canadians out of contention

IIHF

Russia 5 Canada 2

A forgettable IIHF World Hockey Championship for Canada ended with a crushing 5-2 quarter-final loss to Russia on Thursday.

It's the third straight year Russia ended Canada's gold-medal hopes at the tournament and this loss came a long way from the final.

A young Canadian squad dropped four of its final five games and failed to get past the quarter-finals for the first time since 2002.

"You want to win and it's disappointing when you don't," said forward Steven Stamkos.

"It's a bitter taste."

The Canadians entered as heavy underdogs to a powerhouse Russian team that featured 14 of the players who competed at the Vancouver Olympics.

Corey Perry was the lone gold-medal winner from those Games to make the trip here for Canada.

Evgeni Malkin, with two, Maxim Afinogenov, Pavel Datsyuk and Sergei Fedorov — all Olympians — scored goals for Russia (7-0), which extended its world championship winning streak to 26 games.

John Tavares and Matt Duchene replied for Canada (3-4).

Despite the gap in skill and experience, the hard-fought game wasn't as lopsided as the score suggested.

"I don't think it was an easy game for anybody," said Fedorov.

Tavares and Duchene are among the young players that Hockey Canada invited to this tournament in hopes that they'll benefit from the experience four years from now during the Sochi Olympics.

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The semifinals

- Philip Gogulla scored midway through the second period to lead the Germans to a 1-0 win over Switzerland in a quarter-final contest Thursday.
- With the win, Germany faces Russia in the semifinals.
- The other semifinal contest Saturday will pit Sweden against the Czech Republic.

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Montreal Canadien Dominic Moore celebrates with his team after scoring a goal against the Philadelphia Flyers on Thursday.

Canadiens strike back

(Flyers lead series 2-1)

Flyers 1 Canadiens 5

Michael Cammalleri and Tom Pyatt scored in the first period to end Michael Leighton's two-game shutout string as the Montreal Canadiens defeated the Flyers 5-1 in NHL Eastern Conference final action Thursday night.

Montreal's third line shone as Pyatt and Dominic Moore both scored and Maxim Lapierre had an assist, and the Canadiens served notice they won't fade away meekly after series-opening losses of 6-0 and 3-0 in Philadelphia.

Brian Gionta and Marc-Andre Bergeron also scored as the Canadiens ended the Flyers' six-game winning streak and handed Leighton his first loss in five post-season starts.

Simon Gagne broke Jaroslav Halak's shutout bid in the third period with his seventh goal in as many games since returning from a toe injury. Montreal outshot Philadelphia 38-26.

The Flyers lead the best-of-seven series 2-1 with Game 4 set for Saturday afternoon at the Bell Centre.

Leighton saw his shutout run end when Cammalleri scored his 13th of the playoffs at 7:05 of the first period. His shutout streak covered 172:55, second-longest in Flyers history behind Brian Boucher's 184:45 in 2000. He had stopped 74 consecutive shots dating to a Milan Lucic goal in the first period of Game 7 of the last round against Boston.

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Magazine's poll pegs Henrik as NHL's player of the year

SPORTING NEWS Vancouver Canucks centre Henrik Sedin was named The Sporting News player of the year on Thursday, beginning an off-season where the NHL's leading scorer is up for multiple awards.

Sedin collected 108 first place votes in a poll of 363 NHL players, coaches and league executives, beating out fellow superstars Alex Ovechkin, who had 86 votes, and Sidney Crosby, who scored 72.

On his way to leading the NHL in points with 112, Sedin broke Pavel Bure's club record for points in a season (110) and his own record for assists (71) set in 2006-07.

Sedin is also a nominee for the Hart Memorial Trophy, given to the player judged to be the most valuable to his team and the NHLPA's Ted Lindsay Award, given to the most outstanding player.

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Russian Olympic chairman wants chess on program
The new chairman of Russia's Olympic committee says he will push to add chess to the Olympic program. Alexander Zhukov says "regrettably, the International Olympic Committee doesn't want to add that sport to the Olympic program, but we will insist on that." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Happy ending to a broken heart

The story was buried in the sports pages. Zac Herold, a 17-year-old professional soccer prospect, forced to end his dream because of a heart condition that threatens his life if he continues to compete.

Zac Herold

A doctor with Toronto FC discovered Herold's plight after the native of Port St. Lucie, Fla., reported to training camp as a top draft pick. The diagnosis means a future on the sidelines … but a future, nonetheless.

Maybe it's a hopeful sign that somewhere out there, someone is watching over athletes and protecting them from the damage sport can do.

Encouraging news like this is rare in times when players are treated as commodities instead of human beings.

Herold's situation is overshadowed by a litany of malpractice that occurs daily in high performance athletics — professional and amateur. The act of enjoying sport has frequently been replaced by a win-at-all-costs mentality.

The sports pages are frequently filled with bad news: We read of a notorious junior hockey coach who repeatedly sexually assaulted his players and ruined their lives.

We are stunned by the beating of a minor soccer parent in Edmonton at the hands of a player from the opposing team. The attack was apparently motivated by racial tensions.

Some of us are conflicted when learning of the death of a talented track and field mentor who advised his runners to take steroids so they wouldn't be left behind. Others are appalled that a Toronto sports doctor allegedly prescribed human growth hormone to NFL players.

Many more are concerned that young athletes in various team sports are being pressured to play despite concussions, which have become epidemic.

Herold's career has been cut short, but his situation should enlighten us.

Thank heavens someone is watching over him — a supportive family, a wise physician and a professional club that has things in perspective.

When Toronto FC honours Herold at BMO Field on Saturday, they'll be making a statement.

Sport is not nearly as precious as life. And sometimes, happy endings can be found in broken hearts.

Gemini Award winner and author Scott Russell is the Host of CBC Sports Weekend seen Saturday afternoons. A 20-year CBC Sports veteran, he has covered a variety of professional and amateur sports including nine Olympic games and numerous world championships.

Sports in brief

NBA Mark Cuban is no stranger to bold statements, and the Dallas Mavericks owner has expressed his interest in acquiring soon-to-be free agent LeBron James. The outspoken billionaire, in an interview this week with CNNMoney.com, said "anybody" would be interested in James.

NFL Washington Redskins coach Mike Shanahan is taking a "wait-and-see" approach to reports receiver Santana Moss is linked to a Toronto doctor charged with smuggling and supplying human growth hormone. Shanahan said Thursday he will speak to Moss "at the right time" about the matter and not been contacted by the league.

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Armstrong denies doping

Disgraced U.S. cyclist Floyd Landis revealed new cheating allegations in a series of messages to sponsors and officials, alleging that former teammate Lance Armstrong not only joined him in doping but taught others how to beat the system and paid an official to keep a failed test quiet.

With international cycling season in full swing, Landis admitted for the first time what had long been suspected — he was guilty of doping for several years before being stripped of his 2006 Tour de France title.

His fresh accusations, contained in e-mails sent last month, prompted Armstrong to hold an impromptu press conference Thursday at the Tour of California.

"If you said, 'Give me one word to sum this all up,' credibility," the seven-time Tour de France winner said.

"Floyd lost his credibility a long time ago."

"We have nothing to hide. We have nothing to run from," said Armstrong, who later quit the race to go to a hospital for X-rays after crashing just outside of Visalia, Calif.

Team spokesman Philippe Maertens told The Associated Press that Armstrong got stitches in the left elbow and under the left eye.

Though Landis lost his title, he denied cheating until now, and his recent emails detail his blood doping.

"I want to clear my conscience," Landis told ESPN.com. "I don't want to be part of the problem any more."

He claims Armstrong and longtime coach Johan Bruyneel paid an International Cycling Union official to coverup a test in 2002 after Armstrong purportedly tested positive for the blood-boosting drug EPO. The UCI, however, denied changing or concealing a positive test result.

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Cyclist Lance Armstrong bleeds from a cut under his eye after crashing during the Tour of California in the outskirts of Visalia, Calif., Thursday.

In an e-mail Landis sent to USA Cycling chief Steve Johnson, he said Armstrong's positive EPO test was in 2002, around the time he won the Tour de Suisse. Armstrong won the Tour de Suisse in 2001 and did not compete in 2002.

"We're a little confused, maybe just as confused as you guys," Armstrong said, with Bruyneel by his side. "The timeline is off, year by year."

The Wall Street Journal first reported the details of the e-mails.

Landis also implicated other cyclists, including longtime Armstrong confidant George Hincapie and Olympic medallist Levi Leipheimer, and acknowledged using human growth hormone starting in 2003.

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U.K.'s Royal Mail may be for sale

Britain's new government plans to partially privatize the country's struggling mail delivery service, the Royal Mail. A document released yesterday says. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Business

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Sony CEO Howard Stringer, left, and Intel CEO Paul Otellini smiles during a Google TV announcement at the Google conference in San Francisco yesterday.

Google plans 'smart' TV

Google Inc. believes it has come up with the technology to unite web surfing with channel surfing on televisions.

To reach the long-elusive goal, Google has joined forces with Sony Corp., Intel Corp. and Logitech International. The companies unveiled their much-anticipated plan for a "smart" TV on Thursday.

The TVs are expected to go on sale in the fall. Pricing wasn't immediately announced.

Google wants to turn televisions into giant monitors for web surfing so it can make more money selling ads.

Other companies have tried to turn televisions into Internet gateways with little success during the past decade.

But Google and its partners believe they have developed a system that will make Internet TV simpler and more appealing.

Consumers who already have splurged on flat-panel TVs will be able to plug into the new technology by buying a set-top box made by Logitech or a Blu-ray player from Sony.

Sony will make the TVs, giving it a new product that could stand out from other flat-panel TVs on the market.

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Canada can't escape European debt crisis

ECONOMY If it's Europe that sneezes, why does Canada still catch a cold?

Canada's economy may be roaring now, but its longer-term prospects are being turned topsy-turvy by a localized credit crisis in Europe, economists say.

The end of month GDP release is widely expected to show Canada enjoying an economic resurgence the rest of the industrialized world only dreams of, with the second consecutive quarter of five and five-plus percentage growth.

But markets hardly noticed. The attention was fixated on Greece and other European problems Thursday as investors saw an increasingly risky future.

The disconnect reminded economists of the Asian financial crisis of a dozen years ago, a far-away crisis that began in a systemically insignificant Thailand.

Wild ride

- The loonie has been living up to its name recently, swooping crazily from just above parity with the U.S. greenback to well below. Its latest move was a 2.12-cent retreat yesterday, taking it down to 93.65 cents US.

The fallout was that commodities fell and the loonie caught a downdraft that took it all the way down to the 62-cent level.

Analysts don't believe the Greek-crisis effect will be as dramatic this time, but they admit the assurances of a few weeks ago that North America needn't worry about little, broken Greece are ringing hollow now.

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Canadians' debts rising steadily

FINANCE Getting out of debt appears to be more difficult than many Canadian homeowners imagine.

Only seven per cent of 1,000 respondents to a Canadian online survey last month said they had paid down their debt over the past year by more than expected.

Another 19 per cent said they had reduced their debt — but by less than anticipated. In contrast, 27 per cent said their debt had increased over the past year and 17 per cent saw no change.

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Canada sees upswing in recreational property sales: Re/Max
Re/Max says nearly 80 per cent of surveyed areas saw a rise in recreational properties sold in the first three months of 2010. THE CANADIAN PRESS

McDonald's won't send out the clown

Mascot Ronald a 'force for good': CEO

ALEX GARCIA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Jamie Gordon, a Corporate Accountability International staff member, gets signatures in a clown costume outside Leo Burnett's office in Chicago yesterday. The group is urging McDonald's to retire Ronald McDonald.

Retire Ronald McDonald? No way.

That's the message McDonald's Corp.'s CEO Jim Skinner gave Thursday to the red-haired clown's critics who say the cartoon promotes unhealthy eating and should go the way of the Marlboro Man and Joe Camel.

"The answer is no," Skinner told a room full of shareholders who gathered for a meeting at the company's headquarters in the Chicago suburb of Oak Brook, Ill.

"He is a force for good," Skinner said, adding that the nearly 50-year-old clown is an ambassador for the McDonald's brand and its Ronald McDonald House Charities. "He communicates effectively with children and families around balanced, active lifestyles. He does not hawk food."

Shareholders applauded Skinner. And they unleashed a chorus of boos when representatives from the advocacy group Corporate Accountability International requested the famous icon be shelved — for good.

"Ronald McDonald is a pied piper drawing youngsters all over the world to food that is high in fat, sodium and calories," said Alfred David Klinger, a retired Chicago physician who volunteers with the organization.

"On the surface, Ronald is there to give children enjoyment in all sorts of way with toys, games and food. But Ronald McDonald is dangerous, sending insidious messages to young people."

The Boston organization, which calls itself a nonprofit corporate watchdog, has spent the past two months mounting a "Retire Ronald" campaign.

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Lobbyists 'failed' to block Wall St. reform: Obama

REGULATION President Barack Obama says U.S. financial industry lobbyists have failed in their attempt to block a major Wall Street reform bill from coming to a vote.

Speaking at the White House, Obama heralded a breakthrough for his domestic agenda as the Senate cleared the way for final passage of the financial regulation bill.

The president said there is still more work on the issue ahead, but added that he will ensure the final bill will be effective and responsive.

59-39 The 59-39 vote represents an important achievement for President Barack Obama, and comes just two months after his health care overhaul became law.

Obama said lobbyists tried to kill the bill, and then water it down, but those efforts "have failed."

The bill calls for new ways to watch for risks in the financial system and makes it easier to liquidate large financial firms that are failing, among other changes.

It also offers a new consumer protection agency.

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Business in brief

FUEL Canada's federal energy regulator is predicting slightly higher gasoline prices this summer. The National Energy Board says retail gas prices should average between 95 cents and $1.10 per litre in Canada. The main reason is higher crude oil prices, which are forecast to average $75 to $85 US per barrel. Reduced refinery production, high U.S demand and higher crude prices are seen as factors that may pull gasoline prices to the higher end of the range.

MORTGAGES Canada's largest bank is lowering the rate for its five-year mortgages, the second reduction this month. RBC Royal Bank says the posted rate for five-year mortgages will be reduced by about one-tenth of a percentage point to 5.99 per cent, effective Friday. That rate started the month at 6.25 per cent, but was lowered by 15 basis points on May 11 along with a range of other rate cuts. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Germany to Google: Respect our data protection laws

Germany's foreign minister has warned Google's co-founder to respect the nation's data laws in a dispute over the U.S. Internet giant's Street View mapping program. Prosecutors in Hamburg have opened a criminal probe into Google about the recording of people's online activities through unsecured Wi-Fi networks. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

People may cheat if bonus offered: Study

When it comes to encouraging extra effort on the job, offering a bonus would seem like just the ticket to help ramp up productivity.

But could dangling the carrot of a cash incentive lead to people telling white lies in a bid to reach their target — and net a little more dough?

New research suggests individuals may be encouraged to cheat to help assure they'll land a bonus.

A trio of researchers from the University of Guelph and Ryerson University conducted the study published in the B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy.

It's part of a broader project looking at the effects of different forms of compensation not just on cheating and misrepresentation of behaviour but also on productivity.

Researchers aimed to compare levels of cheating by using three different compensation systems: bonus, piece-rate or tournament.

In the bonus system, employees are compensated if they reach a target. With piece-rate, workers are rewarded for each completed task — the more productive the employee, the more they earn.

With a tournament system, only those with the highest productivity receive the extra cash.

"All three of those situations give people incentives to cheat because if they do cheat, they're going to make more money," said University of Guelph economics professor Bram Cadsby, who co-authored the study with Guelph colleague Francis Tapon and Ryerson professor Fei Song. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Making big money through counterfeiting? Mafiosos have an app for that

TRAFFICKING Neapolitan mobsters have added another application of sorts to their flourishing trafficking in Chinese-made fakes — phoney iPhones, along with counterfeit name-brand drills, chain saws and other consumer goods, Italian customs agents said Thursday as they announced they had broken up an alleged European sales network.

Besides the phoney iPhones, fake labels included such well-known known brands as Bosch, Hitachi and Honda, police said.

Naples-based paramilitary tax and customs agents said police in 10 other European nations were involved in the yearlong probe, including in Spain, where a warehouse of fake consumer goods was found; Germany, where two arrests were made; along with Sweden, Belgium and the Netherlands.

Italian intelligence services had predicted that mobsters would invest their energy heavily in counterfeit name-brand goods as a less-risky way than drug trafficking to reap big revenues. The Rome-based Eurispes think-tank has estimated Italy's crime syndicates earn several billion euros annually in trafficking in fakes. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

News in brief

LABOUR The union representing British Airways cabin crews has won an appeal against a legal block on its planned strikes. Thursday's decision by the Court of Appeal means the Unite union can stage a lengthy walkout in the coming weeks, disrupting travel during a busy vacation period. Unite had planned to begin the strikes last Tuesday, but a last-minute ruling by the High Court deemed the walkouts were unlawful because of a technical error in the union's ballot of members. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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The girls are back and loving it

TINA CHADHA
Metro World News

It often takes a vacation to gain a little perspective on everyday problems.

And for Carrie Bradshaw — who hightails it out of town with her three best friends in Sex and the City 2 for an ultra luxe getaway to Abu Dhabi — the time away is spent reflecting on her recent nuptials to Mr. Big.

"There was a wedding, and now there has to be a marriage," explains Sarah Jessica Parker, who portrays the iconic fashionista.

Sex and the City 2 opens next week

The actress (in Elie Saab Couture), along with castmates Kim Cattrall, Kristin Davis, and Cynthia Nixon, is perched between glittery Louboutins and Manolo Blahniks in the shoe salon of Bergdorf Goodman for the film's press conference.

"Where Carrie finds herself at the top of the movie is starting, as she typically does, to ask herself about the environment in which she currently lives. Those questions and the theme of the movie for all of us, is tradition. Why do we run toward it? Why do we push it away, and why, when we so willingly want to commit to the institution of marriage, do we find ourselves squirming and asking questions? How do we define tradition for ourselves?" wonders the actress aloud.

And then, she adds with a smile, "What better place to ask these questions than the Middle East?"

Though vacations with girlfriends can also mean nasty fights (have you been following The Real Housewives of New York?), Parker says that the bond these characters share, in addition to being the hallmark of the blockbuster, is what she finds most powerful.

"In an era where women are really unkind to one and other, and call each other horrible names, and there's vernacular that our ears have adapted to, which I find really objectionable, I really really love how these women love each other. How decent and honorable they are to one another," she says.

"I love that they were never made to be friends. Their DNA is so radically different from one to the next, and they have found this incomparable friendship that is truly inspiring to me, and it changes the way I think about my friendships constantly."

Carrie, played by Sarah Jessica Parker, heads to the Middle East in Sex and the City 2.

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Naomi Watts stars in Mother and Child.

Mother and Child adult journey

Mother and Child
Director: Rodrigo Garcia
Stars: Naomi Watts, Annette Bening
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●½

ANNE BRODIE
for Metro Canada

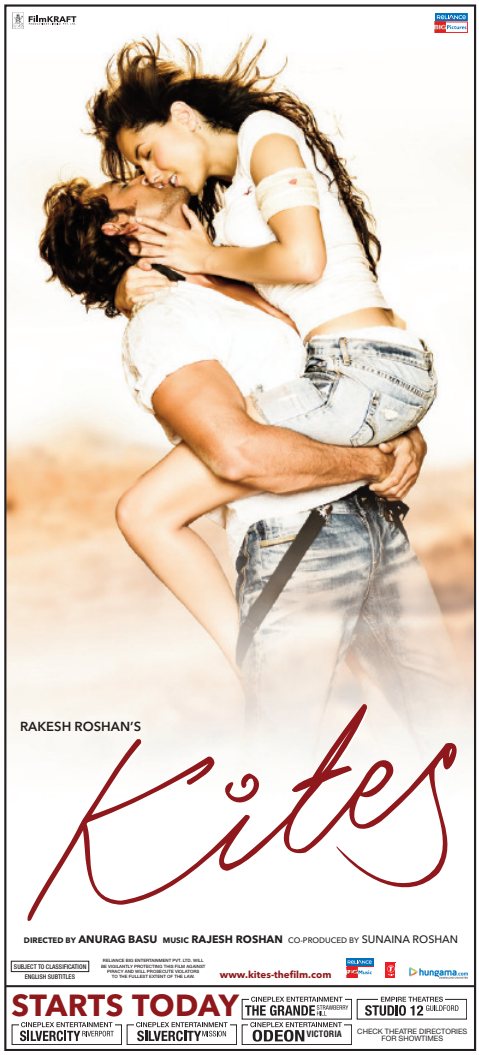
REVIEW Six lives collide dramatically in Rodrigo Garcia's anthology of women's stories.

Mother and Child has plenty of stylistic precedents in Nine Lives, Babel, and Crash but this outing's emotional punch comes from more internal drama — that primal mother-daughter connection. Its stories of life, birth, death, disappointment joy and the possibility of healing may be less sexy subject matter than previous connected anthologies, but it's just as devastating.

Annette Bening, Naomi Watts, and Kerry Washington, three strangers living in Los Angeles, deal with the wreckage of their lives in ways they understand. Bening's character is brittle and untouchable, trapped in a lonely world of her own making.

Watts acts out a kind of sexual revenge fantasy and Washington enters their circle in a desperate play to reach a conventional ideal. They're like anyone else, flawed and stuck, yet driven by need. The men in the film are a diverse lot, with Samuel L. Jackson as an empathetic lawyer to nurse Jimmy Smits who is just what the doctor ordered, and Ahmed Best who isn't.

Mother and Child is not easy to watch. It inspires strong emotions and is often uncomfortably intense. Garcia refuses to sugar coat these stories, and while he doesn't linger on the downside, he lays them out with realism. It's a tough, adult journey but well worth the tears.



The Cullen clan returning
The entire Cullen clan has signed up for the last Twilight adaptation, Breaking Dawn. Yes, Peter Facinelli, Elizabeth Reaser, Nikki Reed, Kellan Lutz, Jackson Rathbone and Ashley Greene will all return for more bad hair days in the fourth story. EMPIREONLINE.COM

Reel Time

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Shrek has the last laugh

Rumpelstiltskin has a showdown with everyone's favourite ogre.

Shrek **Forever After**
Director: Mike Mitchell
Stars: Mike Myers, Cameron Diaz,
Classification: PG
Rating: ●●●½

NED EHRBAR
Metro World News

Whether that new title is a promise or a simple marketing ploy, the fourth Shrek film at least does a good job of putting a positive punctuation mark on a series that's seen a rapid decline in quality over the course of the previous three instalments.

The latest — and supposedly last — makes a valiant effort of recapturing the tone and spirit of the original Shrek, with more wise-acre takes on fairy tale tropes and fewer obnoxious pop culture references.

Tossing on a loose-fitting It's a Wonderful Life coat, the film picks up with Shrek (Mike Myers), Fiona (Cameron Diaz) and company enjoying their "happily ever after," although the ogre himself isn't so happy. He signs a foolish deal with Rumpelstiltskin (voiced by DreamWorks story head Walt Dohrn), a pint-sized power-mad ginger who at one point had the keys to the kingdom in his grasp before Shrek went and ruined his plans by rescuing Fiona. Shrek is then plunged into a world where Rumpelstiltskin is king, he's still a swamp-dwelling menace.

The setup and plot are familiar and predictable, but one thing the Shrek team does well — when they're firing on all cylinders — is make the familiar and predictable fun and exciting nonetheless.

• For a trailer of Shrek Forever After, photos and screen times., visit metronews.ca/movies

Caine shines in thriller Harry Brown

Harry **Brown**
Director: Daniel Barber
Stars: Michael Caine, Emily Mortimer
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●½

RICHARD CROUSE
for Metro Canada

Michael Caine, left, stars in Harry Brown.

Harry Brown is a common name, like John Smith or Greg Jones.

It's the kind of name that doesn't draw attention to itself, but in the hands of Michael Caine, who plays the lead character in the revenge thriller Harry Brown, the name, the character and the movie become memorable.

Harry Brown is a gritty Gran Torino with British accents and a dash of Death Wish. Caine plays Brown as High Noon's Gary Cooper, but instead of being set on the wide open plain, the action in this teabag western takes place in the urban terrain of the Elephant and Castle section of London.

Caine is a widowed man who strikes back after a gang of feral yobs kill his best mate and confidant Len (David Bradley). D.I. Alice Frampton, (Emily Mortimer), a persistent but ineffectual detective with the thankless job of policing the council estate, suspects Harry is a part time vigilante but can't prove it, and even if she could, her partner is ambivalent to the pensioner's gun slinging ways. "As far as I'm concerned, Harry Brown is doing us a favour," says D.S. Terry Hicock (Charlie Creed-Miles).

Harry Brown is a lurid picture of a crime-ridden society. Its bleak worldview effectively illustrates the flip side of the swingin' London Caine came to personify in the 1960s. It's a dark and menacing world where Len admits, "I'm scared all the time, Harry."

But all the atmosphere in the world wouldn't be worth a hill of bangers and mash if you didn't believe that an 80-year-old man with an inhaler could effectively turn vigilante, take the law into his own hands and go all Dirty Harry on kids a fraction his age.

In a film ripe with nice performances — Mortimer is marvelous and Jack O'Connell is frightening as a young thug — Michael Caine shines, giving us a well rounded portrait of a man who is a trained killer — he was a marine — with a "certain set of skills" and as a defeated old man who has seen too much death and strife in his life.

He's at his best when he plays the extremes — the heartbroken pensioner on one hand; the lethal killer who tosses off Tarantino-esque one liners like, "You failed to maintain your weapon, son," to a drug dealer whose gun jammed at the wrong moment.

Fox out of Transformers 3

Megan Fox, who made her name as Shia LaBeouf's love interest in the first two Transformers movies, has been dropped from the third. No further details were given about who would replace the 24-year-old actress. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SNL sketch strikes gold

MacGruber

Director: Jorma Taccone
Stars: Will Forte, Kirsten Wiig, Ryan Phillipe
Classification: 18A
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕½

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

Ryan Phillipe, left, and Will Forte star in MacGruber.

In general Saturday Night Live movies aren't very good.

Sure, there are exceptions like The Blues Brothers, but for the most part the sketch-to-screen adaptations go a little bit more like Coneheads.

It's been a decade since Lorne Michaels last ushered one of his popular sketches into movie theaters and fortunately it's been worth the wait. MacGruber may have started as a 90-second joke, but now it's a fully realized and gleefully offensive spoof/homage of delightfully dumb action movies. There are no grating catchphrases, distracting comedian cameos, or Xeroxed TV gags here. Had the original SNL sketches not existed, MacGruber could stand on it's own as a damn entertaining comedy.

If you're not familiar with Will Forte's MacGruber, he's a special agent in the DIY MacGyver mold. Of course, he's not very good and tends to blow things up. In the film he's given a nemesis who is one typo a way from being unfit to print, Dieter Von Cunth (Val Kilmer). The movie opens with Cunth stealing a missile and soon MacGruber comes out of retirement to stop him alongside a potential love interest (Kristen Wiig) and a young military hotshot (Ryan Phillippe).

It's a plot you've seen many times before, but exaggerated just enough to be hilarious.

Of course, this isn't just some film school satire. It's also filled with enough potty mouth language, bathroom humor, and filthy sight gags to be a solid R-rated comedy. Sure, it doesn't demand much brainpower, but sometimes dumb laughs are enough.

MacGruber shouldn't have been this good. Hopefully it won't be unfairly dismissed as a lazy SNL retread, because it's unlikely that a funnier flick will be released this summer.

• For a MacGruber trailer, screen times and photos, visit metronews.ca/movies

Kites brings wild excess of Bollywood

Kites

Director: Anurag Basu
Stars: Hrithik Roshan, Barbara Mori
Classification: STC
Rating: ⊕⊕½

ADAM NAYMAN
for Metro Canada

Kites has been conceived and executed as a hybrid of the world's two largest industrial cinemas, filtering over-amped Bollywood melodrama through glossy Hollywood aesthetics.

And if that's not high-concept enough for you, the epically scaled film has also been "remixed" by producer Brett Ratner into a 90-minute version for the short-attention span crowd.

Certainly, the 130-minute cut of Kites could stand some trimming, but part of the film's charm is bound up in its wild excess.

The opening scenes glide along on the larger-than-life charm of star Hrithik Roshan as Jay, a Hindi hustler waylaid in Las Vegas whose cash-for-marriage scam gets complicated twice over.

Problem No. 1: He falls in love with the gorgeous Spanish girl (Barbara Mori) who is paying him to get a green card; Problem No. 2: When he pursues her, he discovers she's engaged to be married to the son of a local crime boss, whose daughter has her own designs on him.

It's an amusingly humid quadrangle, but eventually, the film settles into a standard chase-movie mode, with Roshan and Mori recast as the post-globalization equivalents of Bonnie and Clyde, fleeing (with the top down) across the dustier parts of the United States.

All manner of highway hijinks ensue, including a smash-up lifted from Bad Boys 2, interspersed with love scenes that make the dialogue in Twilight seem austere by comparison.

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Screen Times

This week's new releases are highlighted in pink.

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VANCOUVER

OMNIMAX THEATRE SCIENCE WORLD
1455 Quebec St., 604-443-7443

Beavers (STC) A.M. Fri-Thu 11
Gold Fever (STC) Fri-Thu 1-3
Journey to Mecca in the Footsteps of Ibn Battuta (STC) Sat-Mon 5
The Ultimate Wave Tahiti (STC) Fri-Thu 12-2-4

CN IMAX THEATRE
201-999 Canada Place, 604-682-4629

DUNBAR THEATRE
4555 Dunbar Street, 604-222-2991

Iron Man 2 (PG) Fri 7-9:35 Sat-Mon 1:20-4:7-9:35 Tue-Thu 7-9:35

FIFTH AVENUE CINEMAS
2110 Burrard Street, 604-734-7469

The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo (18A) Fri-Tue 1-9:30 Wed 1 Thu 1-9:30
Iron Man 2 (PG) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:7-9:40
Letters to Juliet (G) Fri-Tue 4:45-7:20 Wed 4:45 Thu 4:45-7:20
Mao's Last Dancer (G) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:30-7:10-9:35
The Secret in Their Eyes (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:15-6:50-9:20
Sex and the City 2 (14A) Wed 9-12 Thu 1-1:30-4-4:30-7-7:30-10-10:30
The Trotsky (PG) Fri-Wed 2-5-7:25-9:45

GRANVILLE
855 Granville St., 604-684-4000

Alice in Wonderland (PG) Fri 6:55-9:35 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:15-6:55-9:35 Mon-Thu 5:25-8:10
Chloe (18A) Fri 7:10 Sat-Sun 1:25-3:50-7:10 Mon-Thu 5:50
Furry Vengeance (G) Sat-Sun 1:20-3:55
The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo (18A) Fri 8 Sat-Sun 1:10-4:20-8 Mon-Thu 8
Green Zone (14A) Fri 7-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:35-4:10-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 5:35-8:15
The Losers (PG) Fri-Sun 6:50-9:20 Mon 5:45-8:20 Wed-Thu 5:45-8:20
A Nightmare on Elm Street (18A) Fri 7:15-9:40 Sat-Sun 1:40-4:05-7:15-9:40 Mon-Thu 7:15-9:40
Oceans (G) Fri 6:45-9:45 Sat-Sun 1:15-4-6:45-9:45 Mon-Thu 5:30-8:30
The Runaways (14A) Fri-Sun 9:25 Mon-Thu 8:25

HOLLYWOOD THEATRE
3123 W. Broadway, 604-738-3211
hollywoodtheatre.ca

Amelia (G) Fri 10:15 Sat-Sun 4:15-10:15 Mon-Tue 10:15 Thu 10:15
Avatar (14A) Fri 7:30 Sat-Sun 1:30-7:30 Mon-Tue 7:30 Thu 7:30
No Films Showing Today (STC) Wed

OAKRIDGE
650 West 41st Ave., 604-263-1944

How to Train Your Dragon (G) DTS Digital Fri 7-9:30 DTS Digital Sat-Mon 1:15-4-7-9:30 DTS Digital Tue-Thu 5:15-8
Iron Man 2 (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital Fri 7:15-10:05 Dolby Stereo Digital Sat-Mon 1-4:15-7:15-10:05 Dolby Stereo Digital Tue-Thu 5:30-8:30
Robin Hood (14A) DTS Digital, No Passes Fri 6:45-9:50 DTS Digital, No Passes Sat-Sun 12:45-3:45-6:45-9:50 DTS Digital Mon 12:45-3:45-6:45-9:50 DTS Digital Tue-Thu 5-8:15

PACIFIC CINÉMATHÈQUE
1131 Howe Street, 604-688-3456
cinematheque.bc.ca

American Radical: The Trials of Norman Finkelstein (STC) Sun 7 Mon 8:50 Wed 7
Close-Up (STC) Fri 8:50 Sat 7 Sun 8:50 Mon 4:30
The Most Dangerous Man in America: Daniel Ellsberg and the Pentagon Papers (STC) Fri 7 Sat 9 Mon 7 Wed 8:45
Salvatore Giuliano (STC) Thu 7:30

PARK THEATRE
3440 Cambie Street, 604-876-2747

Shrek Forever After 3D (G) Fri-Thu 1:30-3:30-5:30-7:30-9:30

RIDGE THEATRE
3131 Arbutus Street, 604-738-6311

Robin Hood (14A) Fri 4-7-9:40 Sat-Mon 1-4-7-9:40 Tue-Thu 4-7-9:40

RIO ON BROADWAY
1660 E. Broadway, 604-878-Film
riotheatre.ca

The Back-up Plan (PG) Wed 12:30
Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Sex (But Were Afraid to Ask) (STC) Fri 12
Iron Man 2 (PG) Fri 6:50-9:30 Sat-Mon 4:15-6:50-9:30 Tue-Thu 6:50-9:30
Sleeper (STC) Fri

SCOTIABANK THEATRE VANCOUVER
900 Burrard St., 604-630-1407

Date Night (PG) Fri-Tue 12-2:30-5-7:45-10:20 Wed 12-2:30-5
Iron Man 2 (PG) Fri-Wed 12:10-1:10-3:20-4:20-6:30-7:30-9:40-10:45 Thu 12:10-3:20-6:30-9:40 Fri-Tue 12:40-3:50-7:10-10 Wed 12:40-3:50 Thu 12:40-3:50-7:10-10
Kick-Ass (18A) Fri 12:30-4:10-7:40-10:30 Sat 4:10-7:40-10:30 Sun-Tue 12:30-4:10-7:40-10:30 Wed 12:30-4:10
The Metropolitan Opera: Armida Encore (STC) Sat 10
Robin Hood (14A) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:40-7:10-10:40 Fri-Thu 11:50-3:10-6:40-10:15
Sex and the City 2 (14A) No Passes Wed 12:01 No Passes Thu 11:15-11:45-12:30-2:45-3:25-3:55-6:45-7:15-7:40-10:05-10:45-11 No Passes Wed 9-11
Shrek Forever After 3D (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-1:20-2-4-4:40-6:50-7:20-9:30-9:50

TINSELTOWN
International Village, 88 West Pender, 3rd floor, 604-806-0799
cinemark.com

Exit Through the Gift Shop (PG) Fri-Thu 1:05-3:15-5:25-7:35-9:55
Harry Brown (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 2:15-4:40-7:10-9:35
How to Train Your Dragon 3D (G) Fri-Thu 1:30-4-6:30-9
Just Wright (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 2:35-5:05-7:40-10:10
Leslie, My Name Is Evil (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:20-3:30-5:35-7:50-10:05
Letters to Juliet (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:15-2:45-3:45-5:15-6:35-7:45-9:05-10:15
MacGruber (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:10-3:25-5:40-8:10:20
Mao's Last Dancer (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:50-4:35-7:20-10
Please Give (PG) Fri-Thu 2:10-5:10-7:25-9:45
The Secret in Their Eyes (14A) Fri-Thu 1-3:55-7-9:50
The Trotsky (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:40-4:25-7:05-9:40

VANCITY THEATRE
Vancouver International Film Centre
1181 Seymour Street, 604-683-Film
vifc.org

Chimes at Midnight (STC) Mon 6:30
Encirclement: Neo-Liberalism Ensnares Democracy (STC) Thu 7
Robin and Marian (STC) Sun 3-5:15-7:15 Mon 4

VAN EAST CINEMA
2290 Commercial Drive, 604-251-1313
vaneast.com

Robin Hood (14A) Fri 6:30-9:20 Sat-Sun 3:40-6:30-9:20 Mon-Wed 6:30-9:20 Thu 6:30

NORTH SHORE

ESPLANADE 6
200 West Esplanade, 604-983-2762

Clash of the Titans (14A) Fri 7-9:40 Sat-Mon 1:25-4:20-7-9:40 Tue 7-9:40 Wed 6:40
How to Train Your Dragon 3D (G) Fri 6:50-9:15 Sat-Mon 1:10-4:10-6:50-9:15 Tue 6:50-9:15 Wed 6:30-9:25 Thu 6:30-9:30
Iron Man 2 (PG) Fri 6:40-8-9:30 Sat-Mon 12:50-1:30-3:40-4:20-6:40-8-9:30 Tue 6:40-8-9:30 Wed 7-8-9:50 Thu 7:45-9:50
Letters to Juliet (G) Fri 7:15-9:50 Sat-Mon 1:20-3:50-7:15-9:50 Tue 7:15-9:50 Wed-Thu 7:10-9:40
Oceans (G) Fri 7:10-9:20 Sat-Mon 1-4-7:10-9:20 Tue 7:10-9:20
Sex and the City 2 (14A) Wed 9:15-9:45 Thu 6:45-8:10:10

PARK & TILFORD
333 Brooksbank Ave., 604-985-3911

Date Night (PG) Fri 7:20-9:30 Sat 3:50-7:20-9:30 Sun-Mon 12:50-3:50-7:20-9:30 Tue-Thu 7:20-9:30 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
MacGruber (14A) Fri 7:30-9:50 Sat-Mon 12:30-3:7:30-9:50 Tue-Thu 7:30-9:50
The Metropolitan Opera: Armida Encore (STC) Sat 10
Robin Hood (14A) Fri 6:40-7:10-9:40-10:10 Sat-Mon 12:10-12:40-3:10-3:40-6:40-7:10-9:40-10:10 Tue-Thu 6:40-8-9:40 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Shrek Forever After 3D (G) No Passes Fri 6:30-7:8:50-9:20 No Passes Sat-Mon 11:30-12-1:50-2:20-4:10-4:40-6:30-7:8:50-9:20 No Passes Tue-Thu 6:30-7:8:50-9:20

Jay Baruchel, centre, has revolution in his head in The Trotsky.

RICHMOND

RICHMOND CENTRE 6
6551 #3 Road, 604-273-7173

The Back-up Plan (PG) Fri 4:20-7:20-9:50 Sat-Sun 12:55-4:20-7:20-9:50 Mon 12:55-4:20-7:20 Tue-Thu 4:20-7:20
Furry Vengeance (G) Fri 4:15-6:55-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:50-4:15-6:55-9:30 Mon 12:50-4:15-6:55 Tue-Wed 4:15-6:55
Iron Man 2 (PG) Fri 4:05-7:10 Sat-Sun 12:45-4:05-7:10 Mon 12:45-4:05-7 Tue-Thu 4:05-7
Letters to Juliet (G) Fri 4:10-7:10-9:45 Sat-Sun 12:40-4:10-7:10-9:45 Mon 12:40-4:10-7:10 Tue-Thu 4:10-7:10
Robin Hood (14A) Fri 4-7:05-10:05 Sat-Sun 12:35-4-7:05-10:05 Mon 12:35-4-7:05 Tue-Thu 4-7:05
Sex and the City 2 (14A) No Passes Thu 4:15-7:25
Shrek Forever After (G) No Passes Fri 5-7:15-9:35 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:30-2:45-5:7:15-9:35 No Passes Mon 12:30-2:45-5:7:15 No Passes Tue-Thu 5-7:15

SILVERCITY RIVERPORT
14211 Entertainment Way, 604-272-7280

The Back-up Plan (PG) Fri-Sat 3:35-6:40-9:55 Sun 6:40-9:55 Mon-Tue 3:35-6:40-9:55 Wed 3:35-6:40
Clash of the Titans (14A) Fri-Tue 11:55-3:05-6:35-9:30 Wed 11:55-3:05-6:35
Date Night (PG) Fri-Thu 1:35-4:35-7:05-9:45
Furry Vengeance (G) Fri-Sat 12:10-2:35-4:55-7:35-10:20 Sun 12:10-2:35-4:55-10:20 Mon-Thu 12:10-2:35-4:55-7:35-10:20
How to Train Your Dragon (G) Fri-Thu 12:55-3:55-6:50-9:50
Iron Man 2 (PG) Fri-Tue 12:12:30-3:30-4-7-7:30-10:15-10:45 Wed-Thu 12:12:30-3:30-4-7-7:30-10-10:45
Kick-Ass (18A) Fri 1:10-4:15-7:20-10:10 Sat 4:15-7:20-10:10 Sun-Thu 1:10-4:15-7:20-10:10
Kites (STC) Fri-Thu 12:25-3:40-6:55-10:05
Letters to Juliet (G) Fri-Wed 12:40-3:50-7:15-10:25 Thu 3:50-7:15-10:25 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
MacGruber (14A) Fri-Thu 11:45-2:15-4:45-7:25-10:35
The Metropolitan Opera: Armida Encore (STC) Sat 10
A Nightmare on Elm Street (18A) Fri-Thu 1:25-4:25-7:45-10:40
Oceans (G) Fri-Wed 12:45
Robin Hood (14A) Fri-Tue 11:30-12:15-1-3-3:45-4:15-6:30-7:10-8:15-10-10:30 Wed 11:30-12:15-1-3-3:45-4:15-6:30-7:10-10-10:30 Thu 11:30-12:15-3-3:45-6:30-7:10-10:15-10:30
Sex and the City 2 (14A) No Passes Wed 12:01 No Passes Thu 11:30-12-3-3:30-4:30-6:30-7-8-10-10:30 No Passes Wed 9-9:30-10 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1
Shrek Forever After (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:15-4:05-6:45-9:25
Shrek Forever After 3D (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-12:30-2:30-3-5-5:30-7:30-8-10-10:30
Shrek Forever After: An IMAX 3D Experience (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-2-4:30-7-9:30
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BURNABY

DOLPHIN CINEMAS
4555 E. Hastings St., 604-293-0332

Iron Man 2 (PG) Fri 4:45-7:15-9:40 Sat-Sun 12:05-2:20-4:45-7:15-9:40 Mon-Thu 4:45-7:15-9:40
Shrek Forever After (G) Fri 5-7-9 Sat-Sun 11-1-3-5-7-9 Mon-Thu 5-7-9

SILVERCITY METROPOLIS
4700 Kingsway Ave., 604-435-7474

How to Train Your Dragon (G) Fri-Sat 11:15-1:45-4:15-6:50-9:15 Sun 11:15-1:45-4:15-6:50-9:15 Mon-Tue 11:15-1:45-4:15-6:50-9:15 Wed 11:15-1:45-4:15
Iron Man 2 (PG) Fri-Sat 11:45-1-3:15-4:25-6:40-7:45-10-10:45 Sun 11:45-1-4:25-6:40-7:45-10-10:45 Mon-Tue 11:45-1-3:15-4:25-6:40-7:45-10-10:45 Wed 11:20-11:45-2-30-3:15-6:40 Thu 11:45-3:15-9:50 Fri-Thu 12:30-4-7:25-10:30
Letters to Juliet (G) Fri-Thu 11:40-2:15-4:45-7:40-10:25
MacGruber (14A) Fri-Tue 12:50-4:05-7:20-10:15 Wed 12:50-4:05-6:45-10:15 Thu 12:50-4:05-7:20-10:15
Robin Hood (14A) Fri-Tue 12:15-12:40-3:40-3:55-7:7:35-10:20-10:40 Wed 12:15-12:40-3:40-3:55-7:7:15-10:20-10:40 Thu 12:15-12:40-3:40-3:55-7:7:35-10:20-10:40
Sex and the City 2 (14A) No Passes Wed 12:01 No Passes Thu 12-12:20-3:30-4:10-7:7:30-10:30-10:45 No Passes Wed 9-10:10
Shrek Forever After 3D (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-12-2-2:30-4:35-5-7:10-7:30-9:40-10
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STATION SQUARE
220-6200 McKay Ave., 604-434-7711

Alice in Wonderland (PG) Fri 4:05-7:05-10:05 Sat-Sun 1:05-4:05-7:05-10:05 Mon 1:05-4:05-7:05 Tue-Wed 4:05-7:05 Thu 4:05-7
The Back-up Plan (PG) Fri 4:15-7:15-10:15 Sat-Sun 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:15 Mon 1:15-4:15-7:15 Tue-Thu 4:15-7:15
Clash of the Titans (14A) Fri 4:10-7:10-10:10 Sat-Sun 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10 Mon 1:10-4:10-7:10 Tue-Thu 4:10-7:10
Date Night (PG) Fri 4:25-7:25-10:25 Sat-Sun 1:25-4:25-7:25-10:25 Mon 1:25-4:25-7:25 Tue-Thu 4:25-7:25
Gunless (PG) Fri-Sun 10:30 Mon-Thu 7:30
Kick-Ass (18A) Fri 4-7:10 Sat-Sun 1-4-7:10 Mon 1-4-7 Tue-Thu 4-7
A Nightmare on Elm Street (18A) Fri 4:20-7:20-10:20 Sat-Sun 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:20 Mon 1:20-4:20-7:20 Tue-Thu 4:20-7:20
Oceans (G) Fri 4:30-7:30 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:30 Mon 1:30-4:30 Tue-Thu 4:30

NEW WEST/ COQUITLAM

SILVERCITY COQUITLAM
170 Schoolhouse Street, 604-523-2911

Alice in Wonderland (PG) Fri-Sat 11:40-2:50 Sun 11:40 Mon-Wed 11:40-2:50
The Back-up Plan (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50-4-7:35-10:25
Clash of the Titans (14A) Fri 12:55-4:05-7:40-10:40 Sat 4:05-7:40-10:40 Sun-Thu 12:55-4:05-7:40-10:40
Date Night (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:20-6:50-9:40
Furry Vengeance (G) Fri-Wed 1:15-3:50
The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo (18A) Fri-Tue 6:35-10:10
How to Train Your Dragon 3D (G) Fri-Thu 11:45-2:10-4:45-7:25-10:05
Iron Man 2 (PG) Fri-Thu 12:05-12:30-1-3:15-3:40-4:30-6:20-7:15-8-9:30-10:30
Just Wright (G) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:10-6:55-10
Letters to Juliet (G) Fri-Tue 12:40-4:15-7:25-10:20 Wed 4:15-7:25-10:20 Thu 12:40-4:15-7:25-10:20 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
The Losers (PG) Fri-Sat 7:10-9:55 Sun 9:55 Mon-Tue 7:10-9:55 Wed 7:10
MacGruber (14A) Fri-Thu 12:10-2:30-5-7:55-10:35
The Metropolitan Opera: Armida Encore (STC) Sat 10
A Nightmare on Elm Street (18A) Fri-Thu 4:50-8-10:45
Oceans (G) Fri-Thu 11:50-2:15
Robin Hood (14A) Fri-Tue 11:35-12-12:35-3-3:30-4-6:25-7-7:30-9:50-10:20-10:40 Wed 11:35-12-12:35-3-3:30-4-6:25-7-7:30-10:20-10:40 Thu 11:35-12-3-3:30-6:25-7-9:50-10:20
Sex and the City 2 (14A) No Passes Wed 9-9:30-10 No Passes Thu 11:30-12-1:15-3-3:30-4:45-6:45-7:10-8:15-10:15-10:40
Shrek Forever After (G) No Passes Fri-Tue 12:50-3:45-6:40-9:15 No Passes Wed 3:45-6:40-9:15 No Passes Thu 12:50-3:45-6:40-9:15 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Shrek Forever After 3D (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-12-15-2-2:45-4:35-5:15-7:05-7:45-9:45-10:15
The Trotsky (PG) Fri-Thu 11:55-3:20-7:40-10:30
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SURREY/WHITE ROCK/LANGLEY

CLOVA
5732-176th St., Surrey, 604-541-9527

Shrek Forever After (G) Fri-Thu 7-9:05

HOLLYWOOD 3 CINEMA
7125-138th Street, Surrey, 604-592-4441

Alice in Wonderland (PG) Fri-Thu 5
Clash of the Titans (14A) Fri-Thu 8:45
Date Night (PG) Fri 7:10-9 Sat-Mon 12:45-2:45-7:10-9 Tue-Thu 7:10-9
Diary of a Wimpy Kid (G) Sat-Mon 12:45
Furry Vengeance (G) Fri 4:45 Sat-Mon 2:45-4:45 Tue-Thu 4:45
How to Train Your Dragon (G) Fri 4:45-6:45 Sat-Mon 12:45-2:45-4:45-6:45 Tue-Thu 4:45-6:45
The Last Song (G) Fri-Thu 6:45
A Nightmare on Elm Street (18A) Fri-Thu 9

STRAWBERRY HILL GRANDE
12161-72nd Ave, Surrey, 604-501-9400

Ekam - Son of Soil (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-4:15-8:10
House Full (PG) Fri-Sat 12:10-3:45-7:20-10:45 Sun 12:10-9 Mon-Thu 12:10-3:45-7:20-10:45
Iron Man 2 (PG) Fri-Tue 12:20-1-3:20-4-6:50-7:40-9:45-10:40 Wed 12:20-1-3:20-4-6:20-7:40-10:40 Thu 1-4-7:40-10:40
Kites (STC) Fri-Thu 12:30-1:30-3:40-4:40-7:05-8-10:10
Letters to Juliet (G) Fri-Tue 12:50-3:30-6:30-9:15 Wed 3:30-6:30-9:15 Thu 12:50-3:30-6:30-9:15 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
MacGruber (14A) Fri-Thu 11:40-2:15-4:45-7:50-10:20
Robin Hood (14A) Fri-Tue 11:50-12:40-3:10-3:50-6:40-7:10-9:50-10:30 Wed 11:50-3:10-3:50-6:40-7:10-9:50-10:30 Thu 11:50-12:40-3:10-3:50-6:40-7:10-9:50-10:30 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Sex and the City 2 (14A) No Passes Wed 9:30 No Passes Thu 12:10-3:30-7:10:30
Shrek Forever After 3D (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-12-2-2:30-4:30-5-7:7:30-9:30-10
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STUDIO 12 GUILDFORD
15051-101st Ave, Surrey, 604-581-1176

Date Night (PG) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Tue 1:15-3:45-7-9:25 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Wed 1:15-3:45-6
How to Train Your Dragon (G) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Thu 1:25-4:25-6:55-9:30
Iron Man 2 (PG) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Tue 12:40-1:10-3:40-4:10-6:40-7:10-9:40-10:10 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Wed 12:40-1:10-3:40-4:10-6:40-6:40-9:40 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Thu 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10
Kites (STC) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Thu 12:50-3:50-6:50-9:50
Letters to Juliet (G) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Thu 1:05-4:05-7:20-10:05
MacGruber (14A) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:05-9:35
A Nightmare on Elm Street (18A) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Thu 1:35-4:35-7:30-9:55
Robin Hood (14A) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Thu 12:45-3:15-4:15-6:30-7:45-10
Sex and the City 2 (14A) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Wed 9-9:30 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Thu 12:30-1:15-3:45-4:45-7:8-10:15
Shrek Forever After 3D (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, No Passes Fri-Thu 1-1:30-4-4:30-6:45-7:15-9:15-9:45

RIALTO
1732-152nd Street, White Rock, 604-541-9527, criterionheatres.com

Date Night (PG) Fri 7-9:05 Sat-Mon 2:10-7-9:05 Tue 7-9:05 Wed 7
Letters to Juliet (G) Fri 7:10-9 Sat-Mon 2-7:10-9 Tue-Thu 7:10-9
Sex and the City 2 (14A) No Passes Wed 9 No Passes Thu 7-9:45

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How to Train Your Dragon 3D (G) Fri-Thu 11:40-2:15-4:50-7:25-10:10
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1. My World 2.0, Justin Bieber; 2. Need You Now, Lady Antebellum; 3. High Violet, The National; 4. Iron Man 2 Soundtrack, AC/DC; 5. Sea of Cowards, The Dead Weather. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Music

Band of Horses retreat

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI
for Metro Canada

If you've ever wondered where Band of Horses' laid back twangy sound comes from, here's your answer — a cottage near Bob Dylan's boyhood home.

Ben Bridwell, the band's lead singer, recorded the group's latest disc, Infinite Arms, near Hibbing, Minn. — less than two hours from the Ontario border. He didn't pick that place to channel Dylan, though, he just wanted to be alone. "I need to know that people can't hear me," he says. "It's embarrassing when I'm screaming my balls off."

That's not the only secluded spot Bridwell has written in — "I've done it in a cabin on a lake, a caboose on an ocean and a cabin in the mountains," he says.

After shooting to fame with 2007's album, Cease To Begin, indie act Band of Horses is back with a new release, Infinite Arms.

Wherever he writes it seems to be working. The group shot to indie fame in 2007 with the stunning disc Cease To Begin and the new one picks up where that one left off.

For the most part, Infinite Arms sounds a lot like past efforts. Bridwell's smooth, high-pitched vocals, rich Beach Boys-ish harmonies and folk pop sensibility permeates much of the disc.

"I'm limited in my musical ability," he says. "I started this game late, so it's not hard for me to sound like me."

But there are differences. There's more country twang, the rock songs are louder, and each track is more polished. That could have something to do with the band's new players. The group has grown from a trio to a five-piece over the last couple of years.

"These guys are bringing stuff to table I wouldn't write," says Bridwell.

It's not just the songwriters that are new, however. For the first time, the band financed and produced this record themselves. Going the DIY route gave the band more freedom. It also allowed them to sell their disc to the highest bidder, which turned out to be Fat Possum records, a subsidiary of major label Sony Music. "There was really no doubt in my mind," he says. "People have been knocking at the door for a while so I had a good feeling we'd get paid back."

The truth about Bubbles and Toast

SoundCheck

Alan Cross

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Last week I dipped into my mail bag to mark hitting the 100 column milestone for Metro. Well, the questions keep coming.

Is it true that Bubbles from the Trailer Park Boys used to be in a band? — *John, Calgary*

He was in a Pictou, N.S., band called Sandbox, which released a pretty good record called Bionic in 1996. Propelled by a single called Curious, the album won three East Coast Music Awards and was nominated for a Juno before breaking up.

Q What's that spoken word song (done in a Cockney accent) from the '70s about the glories of making toast?
— Owen, Toronto

A In 1978, a group called Street Band recorded a single called Hold On which featured a track called Toast on the B-side. The song had been concocted during a gig where they needed to stretch for time. When the moment came to record a single, the band decided to include it as a joke. However, because Britain was in the midst of a bakers' strike when it came out, several BBC DJs decided that Toast was a better bet than Hold On. Street Band was forever branded a novelty group and soon broke up.

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Jesse James comes out of hiding

Jesse James plans to give his first TV interview since his breakup with Sandra Bullock on Nightline, ABC announced. James will discuss his past, his time in rehab and why he cheated on Bullock in an interview slated to air Tuesday. TVGUIDE.COM

Television

IMAGE PROVIDED

Ali Fedotowsky is no stranger to the Bachelor/Bachelorette reality TV series but this time around she'll be doing the choosing.

Bachelorette to focus on love

Ali Fedotowsky ditched The Bachelor last season for her job.

The smiley former Facebook advertising account manager now has a new gig as The Bachelorette. Fedotowsky is the latest leading lady in a long line of single men and woman — 20, to be exact — selected to sift through a stack of suitors in hopes of finding the perfect match on the interconnected, long-running ABC reality dating franchise. Fedotowsky previously chose her career over Jake Pavelka, who was dumped by Jillian Harris on the fifth edition of The Bachelorette.

In a recent interview, the 25-year-old Clark University graduate reminisced about Pavelka, discussed her most athletic suitors and recalled when a boyfriend cheated on her — while she was sleeping.

Premieres Monday

Q Why did you want to do The Bachelorette after what happened last season with Jake?

A My decision to choose my job over Jake last season was really hard. I think it worked out for the best because he is now in love and has his relationship, and he's engaged and happy, and I'm happy, and that's really all that matters. This time, I decided I wanted to do what's best for me, and that's putting love first.

Q Have you seen or spoken with Jake since the show? Do you still have feelings for him?

A I haven't seen Jake since the show. I wanted to watch him on Dancing With the Stars, because I heard he's really great. I don't have those kind of feelings. I will always care for him as a friend. He's a great guy and a great person, but I've definitely moved on.

Q How do you feel about infidelity? Have you ever had a boyfriend cheat on you?

A I've had a boyfriend cheat on me — in a bad way — while I was sleeping in another room. It was in another room of my house. It's wrong. It's unforgivable. Do I necessarily think once a cheater always a cheater? No, I don't think that, but I think once you've done it once in a relationship, it's very hard to recover in that relationship.

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Groff happy for second chance at Glee

TV MUSICAL According to Jonathan Groff, fans of TV's Glee seem "okay" with his character Jesse St. James, a hated Glee club rival and romantic interloper.

"I haven't been spit on yet," laughs Groff. "And I got to say — I don't see Jesse as a bad guy. I think maybe Rachel (Lea Michele) has found a match in Jesse. But that's just me."

Of course, it helps that Groff's on-screen paramour is also his long-time best friend. Groff and Michele worked the Broadway stage together years ago in a production of Spring Awakening.

"It was my first big break. And to be working with my best friend now doesn't seem like work at all."

It wasn't a complete coincidence that they would end up on the same TV show. It was Groff who first introduced Michele to Glee creator Ryan Murphy. And when Murphy first mentioned he was working on a new show called Glee, he already had Groff in mind for a part. Problem was Groff was initially tied up with another series pilot. But when that failed to catch on, Glee beckoned.

"A role was written specifically for me for the back nine episodes," says Groff, whose late arrival has given him a unique perspective on the series' rapid, overwhelming success. Glee airs Tuesdays at 9 p.m. on Global.

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FRIDAY 5/21/10

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	250	321	9 CTV	etalk (CC)	Access H.	Ghost Whisperer (CC)		Medium (Season Finale) (N)		The Bridge "Chain of Fools"		CTV News
	252	336	11 GTV	Entertainment	ET Canada	Friday Night Lights (N)		Kitchen Nightmares (CC)		NUMB3RS "Chinese Box"		News
	256	389	12 VI	Degrassi	TMZ (N)	Wife Swap Laid-back mom.		America's Next Top Model		Miami Medical (CC)		A News (N)
	253	359	13 CITY	Murdoch Mysteries		Scrubs (CC)	Scrubs (CC)	Murdoch Mysteries		Warehouse 13 "Claudia"		EP Daily
	-	-	14 CW	The Office	The Office	America's Next Top Model		America's Next Top Model		Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Frasier (CC)
	289	381	15 CBS	Entertainment	The Insider	Ghost Whisperer (CC)		Medium (Season Finale) (N)		Miami Medical (CC)		KIRO 7 News
	287	379	16 NBC	Evening Mag.	Inside Edition	Friday Night Lights (N)		Dateline NBC (CC)				KING 5 News
	288	380	21 ABC	Wheel	Jeopardy! (N)	Wife Swap Laid-back mom.		Primetime: What Would You		20/20 (N) (CC)		News
	290	382	23 FOX	Two Men	Two Men	House "Open and Shut" (PA)		Kitchen Nightmares (CC)		News	Most Wanted	Family Guy
news	502	390	23 NW	CBC News: The National (N)		CBC News: The National (N)		CBC News: The National (N)		The Great War (CC)		National
	500	500	33 CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 "Black or White: Kids on Race" (N)				Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)		Cooper 360
sports	407	419	22 RSP	Hockey		Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Canucks TV	UFC	Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Sportsnet
	400	400	30 TSN	NHL Hockey	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)			E:60 (CC)		The Association: L.A. Lakers		SportsCentre
family	552	543	25 YTV	Spectacular! (2009, Drama) Nolan Gerard Funk. (CC)				Things I Hate	Survive This	To Be Indie	Family Biz	Prank Patrol
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cable variety	268	354	5 KNO	The Canyon War (CC)		Poirot (CC)		Dalziel and Pascoe (CC)		Festival Express ★★★ (2003) Janis Joplin.		
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	615	520	31 A&E	Criminal Minds "Penelope"		Criminal Minds (CC)		(:01) Criminal Minds (CC)		(:01) Criminal Minds "Lucky"		Criminal
	521	560	34 TLC	Four Weddings (CC)		Say Yes	Say Yes	Four Weddings (CC)		Say Yes	Say Yes	Weddings
	616	522	35 SHO	Relic Hunter (CC)		Odysseus and the Isle of the Mists (2008) Arnold Vosloo.				Kenny vs.	Pure Pwnage	Misfits (CC)
	294	650	47 TBS	(6:00) Mean Girls ★★★		(:10) Charlie's Angels ★★★ (2000) Cameron Diaz. (CC)				(:10) Herbie: Fully Loaded ★★ (2005)		
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	-	-	53 AMC	They Live ★★ (1988) Roddy Piper, Keith David.				The Shining ★★★ (1980, Horror) Jack Nicholson, Shelley Duvall. (CC)				
	320	621	60 CEN	You Don't Mess		Land of the Lost ★ (2009) Will Ferrell. (CC)		(:45) The Dark Knight ★★★★ (2008) Christian Bale. (CC)				
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SATURDAY 5/22/10

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primetime	251	308	3 CBC	(6:00) An American Tail		René Lévesque II (2009) Emmanuel Bilodeau. (CC) (DVS)				(:10) René Lévesque II (2009) (CC) (DVS)		
	250	321	9 CTV	W5 (CC) (DVS)		CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		Law & Order (CC)		Law & Order: SVU		CTV News
	252	336	11 GTV	16:9-Picture	renegade	The Party Never Stops (2007) Sara Paxton. Premiere. (CC)				Jane Show	G-Spot (CC)	News Final
	256	389	12 VI	New Canoe	Island Week	Kool Countdown (CC)		Road to Avonlea		Stargate Atlantis (CC)		Bravo!FACT
	253	359	13 CITY	Cooking	Amazing	Glenn Martin	Out There	Decoys ★★ (2004, Comedy) Corey Sevier. (CC) (DVS)				Crusoe
	-	-	14 CW	The Office	The Office	Ice Age ★★★ (2002, Comedy) Voices of Ray Romano.				CSI: NY "Pay Up" (CC)		CSI: Miami
	289	381	15 CBS	Entertainment Tonight (N)		CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		48 Hours Mystery (CC)		48 Hours Mystery (N) (CC)		KIRO 7 News
	287	379	16 NBC	Backroads	Inside Edition	Parenthood (CC)		Law & Order (CC)		Law & Order: SVU		KING 5 News
	288	380	21 ABC	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Lost "Pilot" (CC)				Castle "Boom!" (CC)		News
	290	382	23 FOX	Two Men	Two Men	Raymond	Jim	Grey's Anatomy (CC)		News	Most Wanted	Wanda Sykes
news	502	390	23 NW	Volcano That Stopped		National	Issue	National	Mansbridge	Volcano That Stopped		National
	500	500	33 CNN	Newsroom		Campbell Brown		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Newsroom
sports	407	419	22 RSP	MLB Baseball		Sportsnet Connected (Live)		The Ultimate Fighter		Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Poker
	400	400	30 TSN	NBA Basketball		SportsCentre (Live) (CC)		College Basketball				SportsCentre
family	552	543	25 YTV	Zeke's Pad	Prank Patrol	Funniest Home Videos		That's-Weird	Prank Patrol	Survive This	Zixx Level	Adrenaline
	555	545	50 TEL	Ice Age ★★★ (2002) Voices of Ray Romano. Premiere.				Futurama	King of Hill	Chicken	Venture Bros.	Moral Orel
cable variety	268	354	5 KNO	Amazing Planet (CC)		Heartbeat (CC)		Midsomer Murders A woman is accused of killing a friend.				Festival
	575	583	20 CMT	Tracks	Tracks	The Show	Talkin' 'Bout	Gilmore Girls (CC)		Gilmore Girls (CC)		Tuckerville
	615	520	31 A&E	Criminal Minds (CC)		CSI: Miami (CC)		(:01) Criminal Minds (CC)		(:01) Criminal Minds (CC)		Criminal
	521	560	34 TLC	Disappeared "A Lost Soul"		Dateline: Real Life Mysteries		Disappeared (CC)		Disappeared "A Lost Soul"		Dateline: Real
	616	522	35 SHO	ReGenesis (CC)		Disaster Zone: Volcano in New York (2006, Action) (CC)				Layer Cake ★★★ (2004) Daniel Craig. (CC)		
	294	650	47 TBS	(:08) Sex and the City (CC)		Sex and City	Sex and City	Sex and City	(:45) Sex and the City (CC)		(:26) Sex and the City (CC)	
	603	561	52 FN	Top Chef Masters (CC)		Hell's Kitchen (CC)		Ultimate Recipe Showdown		Chopped (CC)		Top Chef
	-	-	53 AMC	(5:00) Taps ★★ (1981)		Shootout		Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World ★★★ (2003) Russell Crowe.				
	320	621	60 CEN	(5:55) Seven Pounds ★★		My Sister's Keeper ★★ (2009) Cameron Diaz. Premiere.				Friday the 13th ★ (2009) Jared Padalecki.		
	581	566	101 MTV	MTV Live	Movie Night	After	MTV Live	1 girl 5 gays	After	Cribs (CC)	Sex News	After

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VA	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
primetime	251	308	3 CBC	Geologic Journey		Céline (2008) Christine Ghawi, Enrico Colantoni. (CC)				CBC News: The National		News
	250	321	9 CTV	Lost Reviewing the events of the series. (N) (CC)				Lost "The End" (Series Finale) (N) (CC)				
	252	336	11 GTV	Family Guy (PA) (CC)		Simpsons	Cleveland	The Celebrity Apprentice Mr. Trump chooses a winner.				News Final
	256	389	12 VI	TMZ (N) (CC)		ACM Presents: Brooks & Dunn -- The Last Rodeo (N)				Law & Order: SVU		New Canoe
	253	359	13 CITY	Two Men	Two Men	Extreme Makeover: Home		Murdoch Mysteries		Survivorman (CC) (DVS)		Crusoe
	-	-	14 CW	Boston Legal "Spring Fever"		CSI: Miami "Double Cap"		CSI: NY "Past Imperfect"		Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Frasier (CC)
	289	381	15 CBS	60 Minutes (N) (CC)		ACM Presents: Brooks & Dunn -- The Last Rodeo (N)				CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		KIRO 7 News
	287	379	16 NBC	Dateline NBC (CC)		Minute to Win It (N) (CC)		The Celebrity Apprentice Mr. Trump chooses a winner.				KING 5 News
	288	380	21 ABC	Lost Reviewing the events of the series. (N) (CC)				Lost "The End" (Series Finale) (N) (CC)				
	290	382	23 FOX	'Til Death (N)	Simpsons	Simpsons	Cleveland	Family Guy (PA) (CC)		News	Sports	House (CC)
news	502	390	23 NW	Who Killed the Electric Car? ★★★ (2006, Documentary)				CBC News: The National		Who Killed the Electric Car? ★★★ (2006)		
	500	500	33 CNN	Newsroom		State of the Union		Larry King Live		Newsroom		State/Union
sports	407	419	22 RSP	Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Countdown to	Countdown to	The Ultimate Fighter		Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Sportsnet
	400	400	30 TSN	NBA Basketball		SportsCentre (Live) (CC)		Motoring	Motorcycle	E:60 (CC)		SportsCentre
family	552	543	25 YTV	(6:00) Kicking & Screaming		League-Evil	Family Biz	Fries That?	Fries That?	Survive This	Zixx Level	Adrenaline
	555	545	50 TEL	Spliced	Total Drama	Stoked	6TEEN	Futurama	King of Hill	Chicken	Futurama	Tripping-Rift
cable variety	268	354	5 KNO	Thunderbeast (CC)		The Royal (CC)		Cracker (N) (CC)		The Canyon War (CC)		Get Up Stand
	575	583	20 CMT	Meet-Wilsons	Meet-Wilsons	Little Big Town Live		Smarter Than a 5th Grader?		Funniest Home Videos		Hope & Faith
	615	520	31 A&E	Hoarders Hobbyist hoards.		Hoarders "Janet; Christina"		(:01) Hoarders (CC)		(:01) Hoarders (CC)		Hoarders
	521	560	34 TLC	The Man With Half a Body		Half-Ton Mom (CC)		The World's Fattest Man		The Man With Half a Body		Half-Ton Dad
	616	522	35 SHO	Pure Pwnage	Trailer Park	Summer House (2008, Suspense) Lindsay Price. (CC)				Casino Royale ★★★ (2006) Daniel Craig.		
	294	650	47 TBS	(6:47) Failure to Launch ★★ (2006) Zooey Deschanel (CC)				(8:47) Something's Gotta Give ★★★ (2003) Jack Nicholson. (CC)				
	603	561	52 FN	Dinner: Impossible (CC)		Restaurant Makeover (CC)		Hell's Kitchen (CC)		Iron Chef America (CC)		Dinner
	-	-	53 AMC	Breaking Bad "Fly" (CC)		(:02) Breaking Bad "Fly"		(:03) Mad Men (CC)		(:02) Breaking Bad "Fly"		Perfect
	320	621	60 CEN	Cloudy	Penguins	Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen ★★ (2009) Shia LaBeouf. (CC)					(:35) Twilight ★★ (2008)	
	581	566	101 MTV	The Challenge		MTV Live	Movie Night	1 girl 5 gays	Ult. Parkour	The Challenge		1 girl 5 gays

Final season of Smallville
The fate of Smallville has finally been decided: Its 10th season will be its last. The long-running superhero series will come to a close following its upcoming season this fall, the CW said Wednesday. TVGUIDE.COM

Going Out

Calvin bites into Twilight's Kellan

Twilight star Kellan Lutz went back to his modelling roots for the new Calvin Klein underwear campaign.

MITZI MILLER
Metro World News

During a New York store appearance, the Twilight actor and Calvin Klein underwear poster boy Kellan Lutz talks vampires and briefs with Metro.

Q Before you began acting, you were a model. What about Calvin Klein Underwear made you want to go back to modeling again?

A I got into modeling when I was in a financial crisis. It was a great way to make money. I never thought I was pretty by any means. But it was great to be a part of that world. And the pinnacle of that world is to be on a billboard. I grew up wearing Calvin Klein. It's one of those things. As a model, I dreamt of being Marky Mark, being on a billboard and selling that company.

Q Speaking of Marky-Mark, were you nervous about comparisons when shooting this campaign?

A I was thrilled. I loved Marky-Mark's campaign. And by no means was I trying to fill his britches or, uh, boxer-briefs. I was just stepping into them and doing my best to follow in his footsteps. And that's all I can hope and pray for. I think the audience has really enjoyed the campaign so it's nice to be a part of it.

Q Since you were already in production, did you really have to prepare physically for this Calvin Klein campaign?

A Well I did. You know Emmett, my character, is more of the big guy. So I don't need the washboard abs, just the size. So I did a lot of push-ups and tons of protein. But for Calvin Klein, it's underwear. So I called up my buddy Rich McDonald who's a personal trainer friend of mine. He put me on a great diet that took out the candy (which I love) and the carbs past 4 o'clock (which I break here and there). And he told me a great thing, which is to drink water as much as you can. Cause when you don't drink water, your body needs to hold on to it to stay hydrated. So I started training with him and he got me into the shape that I need to be for the campaign. I trained for two weeks.

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Cloverdale Rodeo And Country Fair
When: Friday to Monday
Where: Cloverdale Fairgrounds in Surrey

The 64th annual Cloverdale Rodeo, the second largest rodeo in Canada, welcomes the world's top cowboys and cowgirls, including the Canadian and world rodeo champions. Admission is $10 and tickets for the rodeo events range from $15 to $30. Info: cloverdalerodeo.com.

Beach Pools open
When: Saturday, 10 p.m.
Where: Kits Beach, Second Beach and New Brighton

Vancouver's three seaside outdoor pools open for the summer this weekend. As well, city lifeguards will begin patrolling the city's 11 bathing beaches daily beginning at 11:30 a.m. Info: vancouver.ca/parks.

Murder Mystery Dinner Cruise
When: Friday, 6:30 p.m.
Where: Granville Island

An interactive dinner theatre cruise around English Bay. Boarding starts at 6:30 p.m., departure at 7 p.m. Admission includes a buffet dinner. Tix: $79.95. Info: 604-737-1750 or slixer.com.

Richmond Night Market Opens
When: Friday
Where: 12631 Vulcan Way in Richmond

Based on Asian night markets, Richmond's version offers entertainment, shopping, food and a place for local entrepreneurs to promote themselves.

Fort Langley Mayday Parade and Festival
When: Parade begins at 11 a.m. Monday
Where: Fort Langley Community Park

Visitors can celebrate Victoria Day in an original Victorian setting at the 88th annual Fort Langley Mayday Parade and Festival. The parade runs down Glover Rd. starting at Mavis Ave. The festival also includes rides, entertainment and food.

Vancouver International Children's Festival
When: Monday to Friday
Where: Vanier Park

The annual children's festival features family-friendly theatre, puppetry, music and dance performances, as well as arts and crafts. Highlights include the National Acrobats of Taiwan. Tix: $16 for shows. Info: childrensfestival.ca.

Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now

1 Bret Michaels
TV It looks like the Poison frontman is set to go from the emergency room to the boardroom. Michaels, who suffered a brain hemorrhage last month, will appear on next week's live finale of The Celebrity Apprentice — and there is a good chance Donald Trump may announce "You're hired."

2 Stratford, Ont.
TRAVEL Looks like Stratford, Ont., is the place for parents and their kids this summer. While mom and dad take in the theatre festival, their tweens can head out on a Justin Bieder-inspired tour of the town. See where he went to school, where he performed, and the Subway he liked to hang at. cometostratford.com/justin.

3 True Blood Season 2
DVD It will be a fang-tastical day on Tuesday when the second season of the hit HBO show debuts on DVD. Season Two is currently airing on Space, but that's no reason to avoid buying the box set and skipping ahead to find out the fate of Sookie Stackhouse and the rest of the residents of Bon Temps.

4 iPhone Remotes
TECH With a handy pug-in accessory you can now turn your favourite gizmo into a universal remote, allowing you to surf channels with a single touch. l5remote.com.

5 Lip Gloss
BEAUTY Punch up your lip-smacking power with one of Balmshell's 10 sensuous shades of lip-gloss.

6 Victoria Day
HOLIDAY Sure, technically summer doesn't hit until June 21, but this weekend marks Canada's psychological arrival of the season.

7 Xavier Dolan
FILM The Quebec filmmaker kept his title of Canada's golden boy of cinema, receiving positive reactions this week at Cannes for his sophomore film, Heartbeats.

Wedding bells mark a half century

Having turned 50 only last month, Valerie Bertinelli is looking forward to a wedding this fall to her boyfriend of six years, Tom Vitale. Vitale, 48, proposed on a romantic night in Florence, people.com reports. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity Buzz

Lost in transportation

THIS IS ONE TRIP SHE WISHED SHE HADN'T DROPPED A judge issued a warrant Thursday for Lindsay Lohan's arrest after the actress missed a mandatory hearing. Bail was set at $100,000.

The 23-year-old actress was due in court for a progress report on her probation stemming from two arrests in 2007. Her attorney, Shawn Chapman Holley, said Lohan's passport was stolen while she was at the Cannes Film Festival and was unable to return to Los Angeles in time for Thursday's hearing.

"She did, in fact, have airline tickets," Holley told the judge. "From our standpoint, there is a valid reason for her not being here today."

Holley said Lohan would be back in the United States by Friday evening. Superior Court Judge Marsha Revel wasn't satisfied, saying the star has a history of missing scheduled appointments.

"If she wanted to be here, it looks to the court that she could have been here," Revel said.

The judge revoked Lohan's probation, issued the arrest warrant and imposed several conditions should Lohan make bail. She will be prohibited from drinking any alcohol, required to wear an alcohol-monitoring bracelet and submit to random weekly drug testing. Lohan could be arrested at the airport when she returns.

Lohan has been on probation since August 2007 after pleading guilty to misdemeanour drug charges and no contest to three driving charges. The plea came after a pair of high-profile arrests earlier that year.

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Rules don't apply

HER NAME IS PASSPORT ENOUGH Paris Hilton nearly missed the parties in Cannes because she forgot her passport when heading to France from Spain, according to Page Six. "She had to turn around and get another flight," sister Nicky Hilton was overheard telling pals at a party in Cannes. Luckily, the passport was retrieved and a later flight was booked, and Paris made it in time for the festival parties and the Monaco Grand Prix.

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ADAM LAMBERT may cause an accident, **ALYSSA MILANO** has had enough, **NEIL PATRICK HARRIS** is staying up late, and **JESSICA SIMPSON** is settling in for a nap.

@adamlambert X-tina's WooHoo is hot! I'm dancing while driving! Shwerk!
@Alyssa_Milano Dear BP, Stop the negligence. Stop trying to save your drill well. And stop this oilspill. Sincerely, Earth
@ActuallyNPH Late night with the Survivor All Stars. Heading to the dirty east village club, The Box. I'm in reality heaven.
@JessicaSimpson Let's see what kind of afternoon dreams I canhave ... ready ... set ... go ...

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Courtney loves Kiss Me, Kate

OR WAS IT SHE LOVES KISSING KATE? Courtney Love has hinted for years that she had a lesbian fling with a supermodel, and she's now revealed that is was Kate Moss.

"It was Kate Moss. She doesn't care," Love tells Hot Press magazine.

"Kate wasn't doing a lot of drugs. It was just a thing that happened in Milan in the '90s. It happened and it was fun and whatever. "And she talks about it and so I hope she doesn't get mad that I outed her about it. I feel like such a kiss-and-tell."

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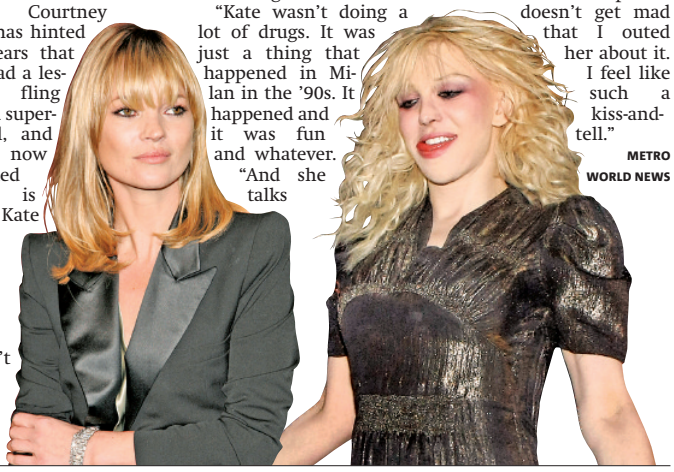

Bye bye, beautiful couple

AND ANOTHER ONE BITES THE DUST Amanda Seyfried said in a recent interview that she wasn't sure boyfriend Dominic Cooper is "the one," and it looks like she's taken her own words to heart.

The Mamma Mia co-stars are no longer dating, according to People magazine.

"Amanda and Dominic have been on and off for a while, and right now they're taking a break," a source says. "But they're great friends and could still get back together."

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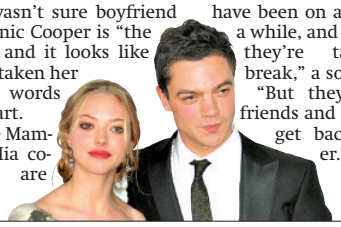

Our mini make-out maven

YAH, HE GETS AROUND Teen sensation Justin Bieber insists he is an old hand when it comes to making out with girls.

"I'm a good — I'm a great kisser.

"I've made out with a couple of chicks," he says in an interview on the syndicated Johnjay and Rich radio show.

Of course, the Range Rover mentor Usher gave him for his 16th birthday doesn't hurt.

"I mean, if you're driving you make a little stop at, you know, the Walmart rest stop. You're good," he says.

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'Fish lips' Stone

NOW SHE'S ALL NATURAL. UH HUH Sharon Stone admits she opted for cosmetic surgery once, getting lip injections after her divorce from Phil Bronstein six years ago. But the results put her off the practice all together, she tells More magazine.

"Nobody loved me. I'm 103. My life would be better if I had better lips," she says of her rationale at the time. She was horrified with the finished product, saying the doctors had made her look "like a trout."

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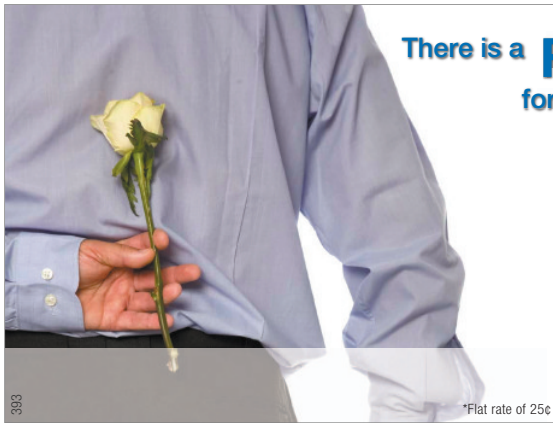

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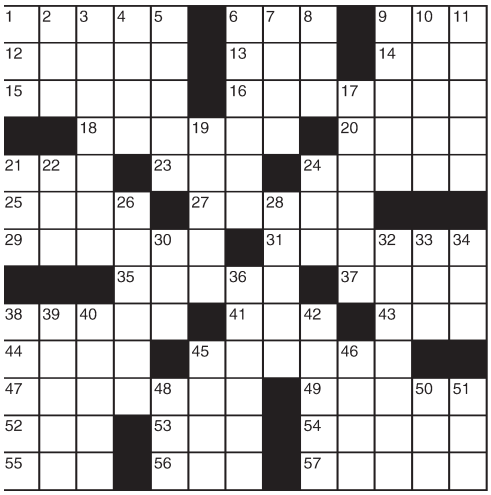

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17 Literary ending
19 Locale for many Stephen King tales
21 Greek consonants
22 Exist
24 "7 Faces of Dr. —"
26 Frequent Oscar nominee
28 Ford flop
30 U.K. ref. bk.
32 Army installation in New Jersey
33 Coffee vessel
34 Vast expanse
36 Bobcats
38 Evade
39 Construction piece
40 Dorm dwellers, often
42 Common Halloween costume
45 Green land
46 Paddock papa
48 Spread seeds
50 Copper head?
51 1960s hallucinogen

Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

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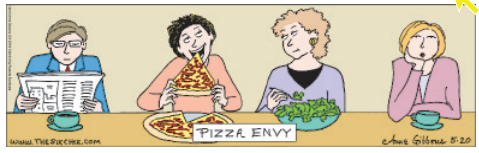

Metro Recipe of the Day

Steakhouse Salad

INGREDIENTS:

Steak:
4 red peppers
300 g trimmed filet mignon
1/2 tsp salt
1/2 tsp pepper
1 garlic clove
500 g green beans, trimmed

SALAD AND DRESSING:
3 tbsp balsamic vinegar
2 tsp extra-virgin olive oil
1 garlic clove
2 tbsp minced shallot
8 cups mesclun
6 tomatoes, cut into wedges

METHOD:

1 Preheat broiler. Put red peppers on broiler pan. Cook until skins are blistered and blackened, 10 minutes, turning frequently. Put in paper bag, seal tightly, and let steam 10 minutes. Peel away blackened skins from peppers, seed, and cut into chunks.

2 Meanwhile, lay filet flat on cutting board and slit lengthwise three-quarters of the way through. Open and press flat. Sprinkle with half the salt and pepper. Halve 1 garlic clove and rub over beef. Broil beef until done to taste, 3 minutes on each side for medium. Thinly slice.

3 Cook beans in boiling water until crisp-tender, 5 minutes. Drain; rinse immediately with cold water.

4 Mince remaining garlic clove. Whisk vinegar, oil, garlic, shallot, and remaining salt and pepper in small bowl. Divide mesclun among plates and arrange steak, red peppers, beans, and tomatoes on top. Drizzle with dressing.

SERVES 4

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ARIES ♈
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
What you need more than anything now is to get together with a group of people who share your tastes, interests and opinions.

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
You will be looking to treat yourself at every opportunity. And why not? You've done more than enough to deserve it.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
You can feel your energy beginning to grow and already you are making plans on how best to use it. The next few weeks will bring many opportunities.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
Grab some time for yourself today. Your work schedule may be busy but you need to think about some more personal issues.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
You may have big plans but how practical are they? This is the question you need to ask yourself today.

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
Positive cosmic developments will fuel your sense of ambition today and over the weekend, but don't get carried away.

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
You are so full of self-belief that you want to be challenged so you can show what you can do. No doubt that will happen but don't go looking for a fight.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
You will be looking for meaning in the world around you. Whether or not you find it remains to be seen, but look inside yourself too.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
A loved one may be under the impression that they have offended you, simply because you have been too busy to pay them much attention.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
There may be times today when you lose sight of your long-term goal, simply because there are so many little things to take care of.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
Everyone has a talent, something that they are naturally good at, and the planets are urging you to make better use of the gifts you were born with.

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
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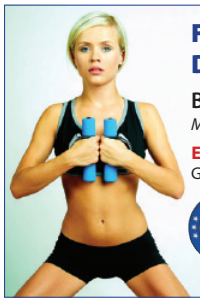

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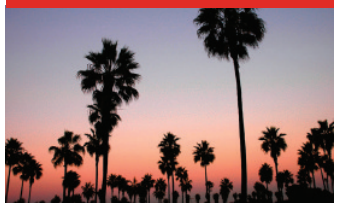

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